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McCORMACK—In ever-loving memory of John Joseph McCormack, Captain Northumberland Fusiliers, killed at the battle of Arras, 23rd April, 1917, youngest son of the late John McCormack, Nenagh. R.I.P.

BIRTHS.

McLOUGHLIN—April 22, 1925, at a Private Nursing Home, 40 Lower Leeson street, the wife of Noel P. McLoughlin, 118 Pembroke road, a daughter.

PRATT—April 25, 1925, at St. Gatien, Rathfarnham, the wife of Captain W. C. Pratt, M.C., Mount Nancy, County Wicklow, of a son.

WRIGHT—April 23, 1925, at 12 Upper Leeson street, to Mr. and Mrs. James I. W. Wright, 21 Percy place, Kingstown, a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

BEATTIE and BAYLEY—April 16, 1925, at Church of St. Thomas A'Becket, Portsmouth, Captain Walter Albert Beattie, M.C., 1st Battalion the Prince of Wales's Volunteers (South Lancashire), son of late John Beattie and Mrs. Beattie, of Elmsinham, Dublin, to Doreen Margaret, daughter of the late Captain C. H. Bayley, the Prince of Wales's Volunteers, and Mrs. Bayley, of Southsea.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this columns will be found on Page 6.

BERRY—April 25, 1925, at his residence, 13 Clarinda Park, West, Dun Laoghaire, Joseph Berry, in the 64th year of his age. R.I.P. Funeral from St. Michael's R.C. Church, Dun Laoghaire, this (Tuesday) morning, after 9 o'clock Mass, to Glasnevin. No flowers, by request.

BUTTERLY—April 27, 1925, at her residence, 12 Shaw street, Mary, beloved wife of John Butterly. R.I.P. Funeral from St. Andrew's, Westland Row, to-morrow (Wednesday) at 2 o'clock for Kilbarrack Cemetery.

CROWE—Monday, April 27, 1925, at "Auburn," Howth road, Clontarf, Lewis Roland Lee Crowe, dearly-loved third son of Lewis and Ida Crowe, aged 24 years. "The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away." Funeral private. No flowers.

DAVIS—April 27, 1925, at the residence of his son-in-law, 17 Ely place, Dublin, Richard Davis, late Manager Ulster Bank, Granard, County Longford. R.I.P. Funeral strictly private. No flowers.

EDWARDS—April 27, 1925, at his residence, Rathfield, Marlborough road, Donnybrook, James C. Edwards, son of James J. Edwards. R.I.P. Funeral from Church of Sacred Heart, Donnybrook, to-morrow (Wednesday) at 1 p.m. to Dean's Grange.

EVANS—April 26, 1925, fell asleep in Jesus, Charlie, aged 16½ years, son of J. F. Evans and the late Helena Evans, late of Arklow. Funeral from St. Saviour's Church, Arklow, to New Cemetery at 2 p.m. to-day (Tuesday), 28th.

FINNEGAN—April 27, 1925, James Finnegan, Merchant, Tringate street, Navan. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing family. R.I.P. Office and High Mass at 11 o'clock to-morrow (Wednesday) morning. Funeral same day at 2 o'clock (new time) to New Cemetery.

GRAY—April 26, 1925, at her residence, 73 Bath avenue, Beggar's Bush, Jessie, youngest daughter of the late Donald Gray. Deeply regretted. Funeral to-morrow (Wednesday) morning 9.15 o'clock for Mount Jerome.

GUNNIS—April 24, 1925, at 13 Wyndham avenue, Margate, John William Gunnis, late County Surveyor, Longford, Ireland.

HALPIN—April 27, 1925, at his residence, Nobber, Thomas Halpin. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife, children, and friends. R.I.P. Funeral from St. John's Church to Nobber Cemetery to-morrow (Wednesday), 29th inst., at 3 o'clock (old time).

HOEY—March 27, 1925, at the Convent of the Sacred Heart, Lima, Peru, Madalena Isabella Hoey, elder and last surviving daughter of the late Robert Hoey, Esq., Kilmacud House, Stillorgan, County Dublin.

JACKSON—April 26, 1925, at 16 Denzille street, Dublin, Jane (nee Wilson), late of Edenderry, King's County. Funeral at Edenderry to-day (Tuesday) at 11.30 a.m.

JONES—April 26, 1925, at the Private Nursing Home, Wexford, William Jones, of 9 Upper George's street, Wexford, elder son of the late Thomas Jones, Hazel House, Gwersyllt. "With Christ." Funeral at 11 o'clock to-morrow (Wednesday) morning to Owenera Cemetery.

McGRATH—April 26, 1925, at Main street, Garrick-on-Suir, Patrick Joseph McGrath, K.S.G., aged 59 years, beloved son of Thomas McGrath and Mrs. McGrath. Funeral to Carrickbeg this (Tuesday) morning, April 28th, after Office and High Mass.

MINCHIN—April 19, 1925, at 34 Gladstone street, Clonmel, Kate E. Minchin, widow of the late Joseph Minchin, Clonmel, aged 74 years. "This mortal shall have put on immortality." I. Cor. xv, 54. American and Canadian papers please copy.

MOY—April 27, 1925, at his residence, 19 Mornington road, Ranelagh, Daniel Moy, late Foreman D.U.T. Company Works, Ballsbridge. Deeply regretted by his sorrowing wife and family and a large circle of friends. R.I.P. Funeral from the Church of the Holy Name, Beechwood avenue, to-morrow (Wednesday) morning, after 10 o'clock Mass, to Mount Jerome.

O'BRIEN—April 25, 1925, at his residence, 5 Charlemont terrace, Dun Laoghaire (Kingstown), Bartholomew Y. O'Brien, aged 73 years. R.I.P. Funeral this day (Tuesday) from Ballybay Chapel at 5 o'clock p.m. to Kiltoom.

REEVES—Monday, April 27, 1925, at 6.45 a.m., in hospital, John Henry Reeves, late of P.O. Stores Department, 86 S.C. road, Kilmainham. Deeply mourned by sorrowing wife and family. Funeral at Mount Jerome 11 a.m. to-morrow (Wednesday).

SAUNDERS—March 31, 1925, after serious operation, St. Helena, Cecil Harlowen Saunders, Captain, R.A.F., S.R., the younger son of the late Captain and Mrs. E. H. Saunders, "Killavalla," Borrisokane, County Tipperary. "Gentlemen, when the barrage lifts." R.I.P.—His beloved, bereft wife.

SAUNDERS-KNOX-GORE—April 22, 1925, at Bath, Colonel William Arthur Gore Saunders-Knox-Gore, D.L., O.B.E., late Royal Artillery, of Belleek Manor, Ballina, County Mayo, eldest son of the late General and Mrs. Saunders-Knox-Gore.

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mrs. James Bowe and family, Cremorne, Merrion road, wish to return sincere thanks to their many friends who kindly sent telegrams and letters of condolence in their recent bereavement. As it would be impossible to reply individually, they hope this acknowledgment will be accepted by each one.

IN MEMORIAM.

COLCLOUGH-HOEY—In memoriam of Dr. John Colclough-Hoey, son of the late Mrs John Hoey, of 45 Lower Leeson street, Dublin. Deeply regretted by his wife, sons, and daughters. R.I.P. Interred Newport Cemetery, Monmouthshire, April 28th, 1925.

GRIFFITH—In sad and loving memory of my dear husband, William Griffith, who died on the 28th April, 1924. "Peace, perfect peace."

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OFFALY COUNTY COUNCIL.
APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY AND ASSISTANT SECRETARY AND ACCOUNTANT.

The Commissioner administering the Affairs of Offaly County Council invites applications, accompanied by Testimonials and Birth Certificates, on or before the 7th day of May, 1925, for the positions of Secretary to Offaly County Council, and Assistant Secretary and Accountant.

(1)—APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY.

An inclusive salary will attach to this position, viz., £400 per annum, rising by annual increments of £15 to £500 per annum, with cost of living bonus in accordance with Civil Service Scale (at present £200 on £400). The person appointed will be required to enter into an agreement binding him to lodge to the credit of the County Council Funds all fees, etc., other than salary received by him by virtue of his office.

The salary shall represent full remuneration for—

(1) All duties at present or in future assigned to him as Secretary of the County Council by Statute or by the County Council, with the consent of or by the direction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.

(2) All services and responsibility for the preparation of Franchise and Jurors' Lists (such temporary clerical assistance as the County Council, with the approval of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health, shall authorise, being paid for by the County Council).

(3) All duties as Clerk to the Local Authority, or Sub-Committees thereof, under the Contagious Diseases of Animals Acts and under the Bovine Peripneumonia Acts.

(4) All duties as Clerk to the Local Pensions Committee or Sub-Committee thereof.

(5) All duties as Chief Executive Officer in connection with Motor Taxation.

The age of candidates shall be over 25 years and under 40 years on the 1st day of April, 1925, except in cases of officials already in Local Government service.

The applications and testimonials of all candidates who are within the prescribed age limit shall be submitted to a Selection Board, to be appointed by the County Council Conference. This Board will consider the applications and testimonials, and will select such candidates as they consider fully qualified. The selected candidates will be invited to attend at their own expense before the Board in Dublin for an Oral Test (which, if necessary, will be held on a date after the candidates whom the Board consider suitable as a result of the aforementioned tests will be communicated to the Commissioner for County Council, who will appoint one of them as County Secretary, subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.

The appointment will be probationary for one year.

The person appointed shall provide a bond in the sum of £1,000 for the due and faithful discharge of his duties.

(2)—APPOINTMENT OF ASSISTANT SECRETARY AND ACCOUNTANT.

An inclusive salary will attach to this position of £160 per annum, rising by annual increments of £10 to £200 per annum, with Cost of Living Bonus, in accordance with the Civil Service Scale (at present £116 on £160).

The duties of the position will be—

(1) To assist the Secretary generally in the discharge of the duties of his office.

(2) To take the place of the Secretary during his absence on leave or otherwise.

(3) To perform all necessary Work of the County Council, and all other Accountancy Work of the County Council, necessitated by the Local Government Services.

The age of candidates shall be over 21 years and under 30 years on 1st April, 1925, except in cases of officials already in Local Government service.

The procedure and method of appointment shall be the same as in the case of the Secretaryship, and the same Selection Board shall act in both cases.

The person appointed shall provide a bond in the sum of £500 for the due and faithful discharge of his duties.

By Order,
JOHN MAHON,
Secretary, Offaly County Council.
Dated April, 1925.

County Council Offices, Tullamore.

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APPOINTMENT OF CLERK OF WORKS.

The South Dublin Rural District Council will at its Meeting on Tuesday, 5th May, 1925, at 3 p.m., proceed to appoint a competent person as Clerk of Works in connection with the building of 52 Labourers' Cottages at Tyrrestown at a salary of five guineas per week.

Particulars of the duties to be performed may be obtained at the Council's Offices.

The person appointed must satisfy the Minister for Local Government and Public Health that he possesses satisfactory testimonials as to competency, character and general fitness for the position.

Applications, accompanied by testimonials, must be lodged with the undersigned before 5 p.m. on the date above mentioned, when Candidates must be in attendance.

By Order,
GEO. GALLAGHER, Clerk of the Council.
Offices: No. 1 James's street,
Dublin, 21st April, 1925.

SOUTH DUBLIN RURAL DISTRICT.
APPOINTMENT OF SANITARY SUB-OFFICER AND RENT COLLECTOR.

The Rural District Council will at their Meeting to be held on Tuesday, 5th May, 1925, at 3 p.m., proceed to appoint a competent person as Temporary Sanitary Sub-Officer for the District electoral Division of Tallaght, comprising the District Electoral Division of Tallaght, at a salary of £90 a year, together with Pemplecope Graveyard at £5 a year, and Collector of Rents and Tolls and Collector of Tenements under the Labourers' Acts in the District Electoral Division of Tallaght, at a commission of 10 per cent. upon the amount of rents collected and lodged to the County Treasurer.

The person appointed must enter into a bond in the sum of £300 and two sureties approved by the Council required by Sanitary Order No. 1, and must undertake to reside within the Dispensary District.

The appointment will be subject to the sanction of the Minister for Local Government and Public Health.

Applications and Testimonials will be received by the undersigned up to 5 p.m. on the day of the Election, when Candidates must be in attendance.

By Order,
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ANGLING.

NORTHERN RIVERS.

As far as the weather conditions are concerned, this week promises better than for a long time on the Tyrone rivers. The Mourne is in fairly good ply, and some baskets of trout were made about Newtownstewart, Victoria Bridge, and Omagh recently. Salmon are coming into the lower parts of the dams, the cribs at Ballyshannon having taken some up to 25lb., which is large for Erne fish.

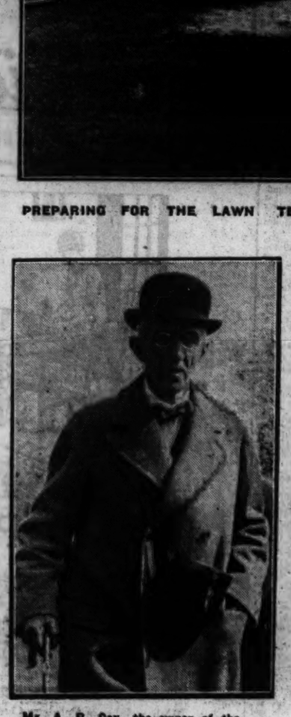
The Bann is too heavy for fishing. Salmon are coming very slowly. The tributaries are giving plenty of trout, notably the Agivey, on which local rods had baskets up to three dozen.

CONNEMARA.

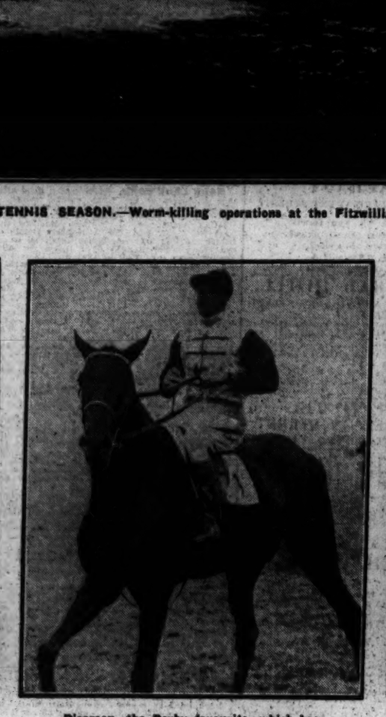
The waters in the Ballynahinch district are now in good order, and spring fish are running. The keepers on the lower Ballynahinch waters killed five salmon during the week, ranging from 11lb. to 16lb.

PREPARING FOR THE LAWN TENNIS SEASON.—Worm-killing operations at the Fitzwilliam Club.

NEW SALVATION ARMY CHIEF.—Commissioner Hurren, with Brigadier Fitzgerald, Lieut.-Colonel Adamson, and other officers, leaving the Government Buildings after seeing President Cosgrave.



Mr. A. R. Cox, the owner of the Derby favourite, Picaroon.



Picaroon, the Derby favourite, which has been scratched from the 2,000 Guineas.

The Bishop of Down, Connor, and Dromore (Dr. Grierson) entering the New Entrance to Lisburn Cathedral at the head of the Clergy of the Chapter of Connor. The Old Entrance was 300 years old.

GOLF.

MIDLAND TROPHY.

Foursomes.

PORTARLINGTON.		CARLOW.	
O'Meara and Bull	1	Lalor and Roche	0
Cobbe and Murray	1	O'Donnell & McCarthy	0
Cahill and Hoyne	1	Smith and Bruce	0
	3		0

Singles.

O'Meara	1	Roche	0
Bull	1	Lalor	0
Cobbe	1	McCarthy	0
Murray	0	O'Donnell	1
Cahill	0	Bruce	1
Hoyne	1	Smith	0
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Total	7	Total	2

DUN LAOGHAIRE.—Scratch Cup—The following qualified and drew as under:—R. W. Ward v. R. J. Brown; E. Thorold v. H. R. Wright; W. M. Curtis v. W. G. McConnell. Winner of tie—J. L. Crabbe or P. J. Gillespie v. H. A. Hines.

LADIES' MIDLAND TROPHY.

Played at the Curragh.

Curragh.			Curragh.
Mrs. Mitchell	0	Miss M'Conkey	1
Mrs. Noble Johnson	1	Miss Shackleton	0
Miss Reeves	0	Mrs. Good	1
Mrs. Sex	0	Miss Morton	1
Miss Freeman	1	Miss Mullaly	0
	2		3

Played at Carlow.

Curragh.			Carlow.
Miss Pynge	0	Miss M'Conkey	1
Mrs. Noble Johnson	0	Miss Shackleton	1
Miss Reeves	0	Mrs. Good	1
Mrs. Sex	0	Miss Morton	1
Miss Freeman	1	Miss Mullaly	0
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C.Y.M.S. PUTTING COMPETITION.—The following was the result:—W. P. Lewis, 16, 1st; C. Moore, 16, 2nd; Rev. Father McAuliffe, Messrs. Clarke, Fay, Ryan, P. Tierney, and Murphy tied for 3rd place, with 17. Prize will be drawn for on Wednesday at 9 and 10 Harrington street.

CURRAGH (Ladies' Branch).—Result of club foursomes:—1st, Miss Reeves and Miss Brown; 2nd, Miss Freeman and Mrs. O'Shaughnessy. Thursday, April 30th.—Semi-open foursomes (Scotch). Stroke. Draws at 2.15 and 3.30 p.m.

CLONTARF (Ladies' Branch).—May 1st—Stroke competition, 18 holes, prize presented by Miss Meiss. Draw at 2.15. Result of competition for Major Healy's prize—Mrs. Carley (20), 79 nett; Mrs. Cummins (21), 84 nett.

BELLINTER.—Captain's prize, presented by Mr. James Spicer. Entries close 30th April. First round to be played off on or before 7th May. One week allowed for each successive round. Competitors failing to complete their rounds by proper dates will be scratched.

PULLAMORE.—Monthly Medal, 25th April—W. F. Lawrence, 76; P. J. Egan, 78. Captain's prize—Entries close 30th April. Members are requested to note that professional takes up duty on Saturday next, 2nd May.

DUN LAOGHAIRE.—Captain's v. Ex-Captain's team match (foursomes), Friday, 1st May.—H. J. Brown and A. N. Sumerling v. R. W. Ward and G. B. Moore; G. P. Doran and W. H. Bowse v. W. G. McConnell and A. H. Tyler; W. M. Curtis and N. B. Pearson v. A. R. Mallet and J. F. Williams; R. A. Wright and A. L. Chapman v. P. Gillespie and T. Staples; T. F. Jameson and H. C. Owens v. H. R. Wright and T. J. Ritchie; J. C. Redmond and R. H. Moore v. A. D. Porteous and H. E. Phillipson.

HERMITAGE.—Open mixed foursomes—Dr. Grughan and Miss M. F. Barry, 1 up; W. J. Towell and Mrs. Towell, 3 down.

BRAY.—Medal—Class 1 (seven entries)—C. S. Wallis (1), 74. Class 2 (15 entries)—A. H. Robinson (17), 75; J. B. Delahunty (20), 75. To motror (Wednesday)—Wednesday Cup.

FOXROCK.—Foxrock Challenge Cup—Semi-finals —J. L. Crabbe (scr.) beat B. J. Eyre (6), 5 and 1; C. L. Hill (12) beat G. F. Beckett (5), 4 and 2. Final—C. L. Hill beat J. L. Crabbe, 3 and 2. Vice-Captain's Prize—P. Millar (14), 77; J. T. Herrick (18), 77; H. J. Millar (12), 78; D. O'Reilly (10), 81; D. Beatty (6), 82; F. B. Craig (15), 82; F. Horne (4), 83.

GRANGE.—President's Cup, qualifying round—G. C. Whiteman (6), 74; J. Clarke (20), 74; G. Kirkland (11), 77*; G. Notley (13), 77*; J. P. Fox (14), 77*. *Play off for two places (A and B), match play. Draw—Whiteman v. A; Clarke v. B. Friday next—Mixed foursomes.

ROYAL CO. DOWN.—Scratch Medal competition.—R. Carr, 82; D. W. Smyth, 84; J. T. Mitchell, 85; W. Pollard, 98. Stroke competition—J. Carr (5), 79; B. A. Barr (11), 81; J. M. Mitchell (4) 82; W. Y. Crichton (6), 83. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year:—Mr. Stanley Ferguson, captain; Mr. D. Kennedy, hon. treasurer; Mr. Fred Rogers, hon. secretary. Members of Council, Sir G. Clark and Mr. W. E. Haughton.

LIMERICK.—32nd April, bogey competition—R. D. Doyle, 14 down first; J. Cadbey, 23 down, second. 25th April, eclectic competition:—R. W. Stewart (24), 32; P. V. Plunkett (16), 35; A. Fitt (18), 35*.

LAWN TENNIS.

DAVIS CUP TRIALS.

THE IRISH TEAM.

At Wilton place yesterday evening the Davis Cup Trials were brought to a conclusion, in cold, dull weather. Two matches were staged—E. A. McGuire v. E. J. Mockler and G. W. and C. F. Scroope v. L. A. Meldon and G. S. B. Mack. The original intention was to try S. P. and C. V. Scroope, but the former had to declare off at the last moment. This robbed the match of some interest, having regard to the showing of the brothers on Saturday, in addition to which play was limited to two sets.

The first was closely fought, and ran to twenty games before Meldon and Mack went out. Meldon has played better, but Mack was right on his game from the start, and his overhead work was brilliant. He appears to have more pace on his service this year, and has lost none of his quickness about the court, but his service returns are uncertain.

Of the losers, C. F. Scroope played the better game and confirmed the impression he made on Saturday. On that occasion he seemed short of practice, and only required plenty of work to reach the level of four or five years back when partnered by "S. P." he won the Doubles Championship.

Compared with the opening set the second was one-sided, and, playing very steady tennis, the brothers squared the match at 6-2, when play was stopped.

In the Singles, E. A. McGuire ran up an early lead, and took the first set with the loss of one game. Forcing the pace from the start, he put everything possible on to E. J. Mockler's backhand, which broke down under pressure. The second set ran more evenly, but McGuire's experience stood him in good stead, and he went out for set and match at 9-7.

Subsequently the following six players were nominated, and from them four will be selected to represent Ireland against Austria in Vienna on May 15th, 16th and 17th:—Hon. Ogril Campbell, Captain C. F. Scroope, S. P. Scroope, L. A. Meldon, E. A. McGuire and G. S. B. Mack.

KENILWORTH CLUB.

At the annual general meeting (Mrs. D. C. Machin, Vice-President, in the chair) the following were elected for the season:—President, Mr. G. Butler Bentley, Vice-Presidents, D. C. Machin, T. J. Ryan, J. P. O'Connor, R. T. Vaughan. Committee—A. Berry, A. Treacy, N. F. McLoughlin, C. Singleton, T. G. Spain, D. Hughes, J. H. Daly. Hon. Treasurer, H. Conder. 6 Frankfort avenue. Hon. Secretary, T. McLoughlin, 4 Grosvenor road. The courts will be open for play on Saturday.

SANDYMOUNT CLUB.

At the general meeting the following officers were elected for the coming season:—President, R. F. Townley. Vice-Presidents, Dr. H. G. Westropp and H. McIlwaine. Hon. Secretary and Treasurer, A. P. Chambers, 24 Gilford avenue, Sandymount. Assistant Secretary, Robert Brown. Committee—Professor T. G. Browne, E. J. McWilliam, R. Kerney, Mrs. Craig, Miss A. Windy, Miss A. Milligen. The courts will be open for play on Saturday next, weather permitting.

WATER POLO.

INDOOR LEAGUE.

PEMBROKE v. DUBLIN UNIVERSITY.

Pembroke made their first appearance of the season last night at Tara street, when they opposed a strong Dublin University team in the indoor competition. Dr. Beckett, their captain, was unable to play, and the Pembroke side's game suffered in consequence. Still, they put up quite a good show for their opening match.

The Sandycove Club again failed to field a full side for their match with Dublin, and this game consequently fell through.

Teams:—Pembroke—C. R. Batt; C. Heather, F. E. Benson; O. S. Armstrong; J. M'Cready, J. Phillips and H. Armstrong.

Dublin University—T. J. Stafford; F. Murtagh, T. M. Mitchell; T. H. Deckrell; C. W. Brooks, R. N. Mather and H. G. Ellerker (capt.).

Referee—Mr. H. F. Brennan.

Dublin University opened with a strong attack, and Batt was called upon to save almost immediately. Coming again, Deckrell sent a fast pass forward to Ellerker, who beat Batt from four yards' range. Pembroke came into the picture, and a free to Benson, being well placed, O. Armstrong equalised with a soft shot. Dublin University again took up the offensive. Deckrell, scoring with a tremendously fast shot from over half-way, Mitchell soon afterwards added a third. Dublin University were much the better side to the interval, but Batt was brilliant in goal, giving repeatedly from all ranges.

In the second half Pembroke improved somewhat, the younger members of the team in particular giving a plucky display. Dublin University were the dominant side, however, and but for the fine defence of Batt and Benson would have scored many times. They pressed almost continuously, but the two goals obtained by Mitchell and Mather were very brilliant efforts, the ball being scrambled through from melees in each case. Result:—

Dublin University	5 goals
Pembroke	1 goal

ASSOCIATION.

CUP FINAL ATTENDANCE.

OFFICIAL FIGURES.

The British Empire Exhibition authorities yesterday announced that the number of people paying to see the final tie of the English Cup competition at the Wembley Stadium on Saturday was 91,763, including 24 occupants of the Royal Box, 390 Press representatives and messengers, and stewards and passes, 825. The total attendance was exactly 93,000.

COLLINGWOOD CUP.

Dublin University team to meet University College to-day at Terenure at 6 p.m. On Wednesday Queen's University play the losers of this match and on Thursday play the winners.

Dublin University—McCurdy, Redmond, Conlin; T. C. Williams, Hoffman, Rice; Forsythe, Cruilivan Beare, N. Williams, Clarke, McMahon (capt.).

TO-DAY'S FIXTURE.

University College v. Dublin University (Collingwood Cup), Terenure, 4 o'clock.

The directors of the great banks are the trustees for the many scores of thousands of individuals who now own the banks.—Mr. Walter L. Runciman.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

NEWMARKET MEETING.

Two Thousand Guinea Stakes—Picaroon, at 5 p.m. Saturday.
Brinkley Welter Handicap—Pass the Mint and Brig o' Doon.
Ely Plate—Golden Chain.
Wilbraham Stakes—Some Juna.
Peel Handicap—Snip Snap.
Boiscdale Three-year-old Handicap—Slope.
May Stakes—Diamond Soap.
First Spring Two-year-old Stakes—Comedy King.
Barrow Two-year-old Selling Plate—Miss Grits Elly.
Two-year-old Selling Plate—Fiesoli filly.
Apprentice Plate—The Duenna.

CHESTER MEETING.

Chester Vase—Polazel, at 9 a.m. yesterday.
Stamford Two-year-old Stakes—Great Willow.
Raton Maiden Plate—Gown Villa.

THIRSK MEETING.

Sowerby Selling Handicap—Dope.
Ryland Handicap—Silver Square.
Thirsk Handicap—Ribblesdale.

WORCESTER MEETING.

Manor Handicap Hurdle—Prince Jerome.
City Handicap Hurdle—Gold Willow.
Stayers' Handicap Hurdle—Desert Chief.

MISCELLANEOUS.

Yarridge Hurdle, Hexham—Sobriety.
Cardinals Selling Plate, Hurst Park—Woodland Elf.
Isle of Wight engagements—Milina.
Team Hurdle, Uttoxeter—Orpi.
All engagements in Sir E. Putnam's name—Krypton.
All engagements in Sir William Cooke's name—Cooty Billy.
Ayr April Meeting engagements—Butterfly Kiss, Thuani and Broad Gauge.
Epsom engagements — Misogynist (dead); Newton Wonder, Harpenden, Honk, Harrisil, Philippi, Quid Pro Quo, Baily Nuisance, French Leave.

CURRAGH TRAINING NOTES.

THE CURRAGH, Monday.

A fine morning.

DAWSON'S Sunnee, Petit Beau, Maynooth, and Louvois Prize went a mile at a good pace; Jamdola, Jurat, John Joe, Chicane, and the two-year-olds cantered five furlongs.

DOYLE'S Fetheradale and Pauline's Pride covered a mile steadily; Wisket went six furlongs; Deniz Orb, Kro Flit, Scarlet Silk, and Oil Gahann, came five furlongs.

PARKINSON'S Bawn na Glas and Wartaire were sent a mile and a quarter; Dunnette's daughter and Lomonds Lake covered six furlongs; Flying Prince and Simon Ogo went a striding mile; Lonely Isle, Greenshutter, Greenpark, Grey Point, and Golden Quest travelled five furlongs.

COOMBS'S Overland travelled a mile and a quarter steadily; Saorstat covered a similar distance; Dejesek, Cyclonize, Bachelor's Point, and Mayriot were usefully employed; the two-year-olds cantered.

ROGERS'S and FORDRED'S teams had healthy exercise.

MORGAN'S "1923" and Lord Wembley went five furlongs.

BEHAN'S Miramichi, Port Arthur, Vesington Boy, Ballynether, and other two-year-olds cantered.

STAUNTON'S Irish Lady, Paddy, Louvix, and Madrigal covered a mile steadily.

PERRY'S Knocking Boy, Mist the Train, and Silvertown went five furlongs; No Joke covered a mile at a steady pace.

UNIVERSITY NEWS.

TRINITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN.

JUNIOR SOPHISTER TERM EXAMINATION.

TRINITY TERM, 1925.—The following candidates have passed:—Iris Olive Atkins, John Barrington Robert McCarth, Makeney, Angela Mary G. Buchanan, John Lindsay F. Canning, John Richard Charles Coghlan, Anne Aileen Coolican, William Dundas Dooner, Amy Dorman, Arthur Wallace Gracie, Reginald John Halcomb, Maud Helena Johnston, Aytmer Noble Grattan Kelly, Robert Andrew James Kerr, John Fortune Lawrence, Anna Alice Logion, James McCann, John Barnhill S. McGinley, Charles Bruno McKenna, Norah Millar, Arthur Maurice B. Mills, John Arthur Shirley Moran, Fred Morrison, Thomas Gerald Elwin Nash, George Samuel Nowlan, Madeline O'Connor, Henry Stanislaus Orred, Thomas Spearman, Richard Gilbert Schiith, William Gerald M. Tyrman, Theodora Ernest Vine, Alexander Thomas Williams, Charlotte Annie Williams, William John Wilson, Mary Ellen Roydell (laser).

LAW SCHOOL—TERM EXAMINATIONS.

CONSTITUTIONAL AND CRIMINAL LAW.

The following candidates are Classed:—John Bowes Griffin, Arthur O'Connor, (K.U.) Frederick William Lane and Miss M. Connor, (K.U.); Alma Mcfeovitz, M. B. C. Moore (K.A.); John D. Battley, William Denis Johnston (K.U.), and Kathleen E. Johnston, Frederick C. O'Connor and Frederick William Johnston, Robert St. C. Adamson (K.U.), Alfred J. J. Rice (K.U.) and Francis N. Scally; John Anthony O'Connor, Elsie William, McCutcheon and Allen J. Murray (K.A.), George L. Tobbyn, Cyril Wilson, Denzil B. J. O'Donnell, Robert E. Law and Lionel A. W. Orr.

The following have passed:—Maurice Fitzgerald, Edward G. Ellis (K.U.), Edward Rossiter and John D. Rossiter (K.A.); John J. Mackin and Peter M. Treasa O'Mahony, John E. Nuhlan, John P. Lawrence, William Dillon-Leetch, Henry A. Burke.

ROMAN LAW.

The following candidates have passed:—John Bowes Griffin, Alexander W. McKenzie, George L. Tobbyn, Hardy H. Forsyth, Oliver V. O'Gutcheon, John P. O'Connor, Cyril Wilson (K.U.), John Tynan O'Mahony and Thomas C. Williams; James A. Rice (K.A.), John Macken (K.U.), Lionel Cecil Mofovitz, Frederick G. G. Bodd, Edward G. Ellis (K.U.), Joseph B. Allen, Robert K. Law (K.U.), and Denzil B. J. O'Donnell, Robert E. Law and Lionel A. W. Orr, Francis N. Scally (K.U.), F. W. Heuston (K.U.).

INTERNATIONAL LAW.

The following candidates have passed:—Harry H. Forsyth, John Bowes Griffin, C. L. Marion, Cyril Wilson (K.U.), Ian D. Battley, Joseph M. Allen, John Coughlan, Henry A. Burke.

FEUDAL AND ENGLISH LAW.

The following candidates have passed:—John Bowes Griffin, William D. Johnston (K.U.), and Thomas C. Williams, George L. Tobbyn, John D. Battley, Cyril Wilson (K.U.), and G. O'Donnell (K.A.), Frederick W. Keatley, Oliver V. McCutcheon, Cyril Wilson (K.U.), Lionel J. Mofovitz, W. T. M. Argall, Denzil B. J. O'Donnell, Robert E. Law and Lionel A. W. Orr (K.U.), and Joseph M. O'Connor, John F. Crane, O'Mahony, John J. Marion and M. de L. Shapiro (K.A.), Orrell Wood (K.U.), Robert E. Law (K.U.), Frederick Johnston and Robert E. Law, Henry A. Bourke, John Coughlan and T. G. Little (K.U.), William Gilroy Leetch and Frederick W. Keatley, John Lawrence and Francis N. Scally, Gustavus N. Kelly.

(K.U.) steve denotes King's Inns student.
(K.A.) denotes solicitor's apprentice.

NORTHERN ATHLETES SUSPENDED.

BELFAST REPLY TO N.A. and C.A.

N.A. and C.A. was held last evening in the Celtic Pavilion to consider the communication from the central body of the Association suspending the officials and competitors in the athletic events at the Belfast Celtic sports on Easter Monday.

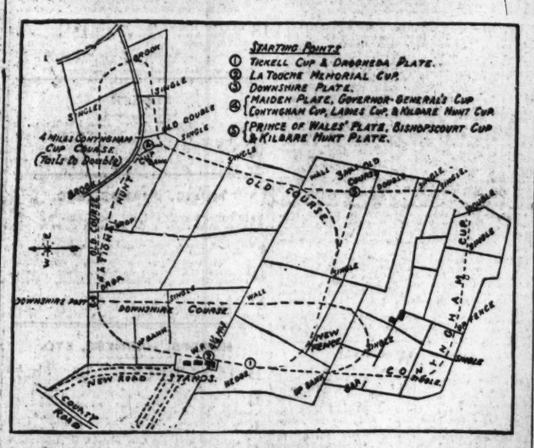
The following resolution was proposed by Mr. Hardy (Belfast Trinity Harriers) to the effect that, unless the embargo was removed, no delegates be sent to the annual Congress of the Association on Sunday next. Mr. G. Bowman seconded.

An amendment was moved by Mr. Stewart (North Belfast Harriers) that the decision be sent as arranged at the last meeting of the Belfast County Board. Mr. Mel (Unionville Harriers) seconded.

In the discussion that ensued it was urged that everything possible be done to preserve unity in athletics and clashing between North and South. On a vote the amendment was defeated, and Mr. Hardy's resolution was carried.

Those who build houses should be as proud of their work as those who build cathedrals.—Mr. H. B. Salley.

MAP OF PUNCHESTOWN COURSE.



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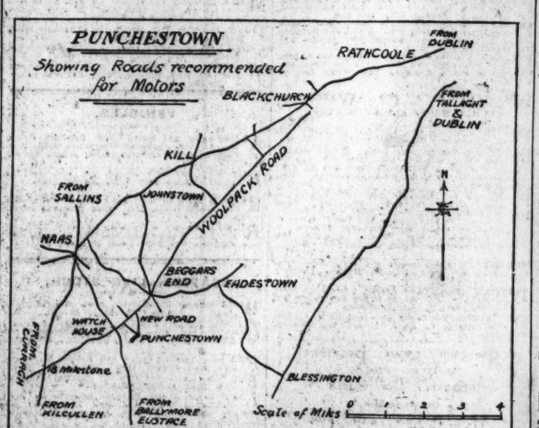

THE CHURCH OF IRELAND.

The Rev. J. J. Lougheed has been appointed Curate of St. Anne's, Dublin. This appointment will cause a vacancy in the Curacy of Harold's Cross, Mr. Lougheed graduated at Trinity College in 1915, and was Curate of Belturbet for three years before being appointed to Harold's Cross in 1918.

The "Refresher Course" which was held recently at St. Columba's College was a great success. Sixty clergymen, from all quarters of Ireland, including a number from Northern Ireland, attended. This annual "refresher" is very welcome, as it affords an opportunity of intercourse which should help towards a better understanding between North and South. Much of the success is due to the exertions of the Rev. E. L. B. Barker, who acts as secretary.

Two hundred pounds has been subscribed by the children of the diocese towards the new font for the Baptistry of St. Anne's Cathedral, Belfast.

The following resolution was passed at the last meeting of the Louth Clerical Union:—"The members of the Louth Clerical Union, at this, their first meeting since the death of their late secretary, Canon R. M. Peile Freeman, desire to offer to Mrs. Freeman and her daughters their profound sympathy in their great loss. They would place on record their appreciation of the untiring services and help given to this society so ungrudgingly and freely for so many years, and they recall the pathetic fact that Canon Freeman's last letter was written to the Society apologising for his absence through ill-health—a letter which was read at the meeting on the very day of his death." Canon Foley has been elected secretary in place of the late Canon Freeman.

No American comes to England quite a stranger.—Mr. Houghton.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH.

The annual meeting of the Dublin Presbytery's City Mission was held last week in the Church House. Statements were made by the missionaries of the work carried on in the Whitefriar street and North Strand centres, and in giving relief to the aged, sick, unemployed, and cariner for the children. This mission aims at helping those who are not reached by the Churches. Tributes were paid to the affection in which Mr. Logan and Mis Greer, the missionaries, are held by the workers, the poor and the Presbytery, and regret was expressed at the prospect of Miss Greer's removal to Belfast.

The annual inspection and display of the 32nd Company Boys' Brigade, was held in Clontarf Town Hall last Friday night. The band of the 1st Company assisted in the programme.

The President, the Rev. J. L. Morrow, was in the chair, and Sir J. C. Percy inspected the Company and, at the close of the programme of drill, gymnastics and games, gave the boys an address on how to live successfully, and concluded with an offer of a gold medal to be given on the vote of the privates to the best sportsman in the 32nd Company. The President presented the medals and prizes.

The Rev. Sinclair Stevenson, who preached in Abbey Church last Sunday, is a son of the late Rev. Fleming Stevenson, minister of Christ Church, Rathgar, and convener of the Foreign Mission of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland. Mr. Sinclair Stevenson was a missionary in India for thirty years.

The Rev. Andrew Macafee, who has been minister of the First Presbyterian Church, Omagh, for the last thirty-three years, has retired temporarily owing to failing health.

"Safety first" is by way of becoming a mania.—Sir Alfred Mond.

BROADCASTING.

TO-DAY.

The letters "S.B." in these programmes signify a simultaneous broadcast from the station mentioned.

LONDON (2LO)—365 Metres.

1.0-2.0—Time (Greenwich). Music played during Luncheon at the Holborn Restaurant. 3.15-3.45—Schools. 4.0-6.0—Organ and Orchestra. 6.0-6.30—Children. 6.40—Music. 7.0—Big Ben. Weather, and News. John Strachey, Literary Criticism (S.B. to all Stations). 7.25—Music. 7.40—The Rev. A. E. Salmon. "The Primrose, or the Ladies' of Springe" (S.B. to other Stations). 8.0—All Stations Programme, relayed from London, Birmingham, Manchester, and Glasgow: Mavis Bennett (soprano), Kia and his Royal Hawaiians, Rachel Hunt (contralto) Arthur Catterall (violin), Irene Scharrer (pianoforte recital), Beatrice Miranda (soprano) and Hebden Foster (baritone) (duets), Nan R. Scott (monologues), J. C. Dorsie (burlesque songs), Grace Ivell and Vivian Worth (entertainers), William Henley (violin), Sydney Stoddart (baritone), Instrumental Trio—Lloyd Shakespeare, Ernest Rutherford, Gladys Millage. 10.0—Time (Greenwich), Weather, and News. 10.30—All Stations Programme: Mavis Bennett, Roy Henderson (baritone), Irene Scharrer, Grace Ivell and Vivian Worth, Kia and his Royal Hawaiians. 11.15—Savoy Bands. 12.0—Close.

CHELMSFORD (5XX) — 1,000 Metres (High-Power Station).

6.0-12.0—From London.

BIRMINGHAM (5IT)—475 Metres.

3.30-4.30—Orchestra, Frank Foxon (baritone). 5.0-6.30—Women. 5.30-6.30—Children. 7.0-8.0—From London. 8.0—All Stations Programme (see London). 10.0—Weather and News. 10.30—All Stations Programme. 11.15—Savoy Bands. 12.0—Close.

BOURNEMOUTH (6BM)—385 Metres.

3.45-5.0—Orchestra. 5.0-6.30—Children. 7.0-7.40—From London. 7.40—Farmers. 8.0—All Stations Programme (see London). 10.0—Weather and News. 10.30—All Stations Programme. 11.15—Savoy Bands. 12.0—Close.

CARDIFF (5WA)—351 Metres.

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MANCHESTER (2ZY)—375 Metres.

1.15-2.0—Concert: Pianoforte Recital by Betty Bolton. 3.30-4.0—Schools. 4.0-5.15—Dance Music. 5.30-6.30—Children. 7.0-7.40—Programme S.B. from London. 7.40—Local Radio Society Toss. 8.0—All Stations Programme (see London). 10.0—Weather and News. 10.30—All Stations Programme. 11.15—Savoy Bands. 12.0—Close.

NEWCASTLE (5NO)—400 Metres.

11.30-12.30—Stanley Styles (bassoon), Betty Guy (soprano). 3.45-5.15—Gertrude Hibbs (soprano). The Station Septet. 5.15-6.0—Children. 7.0-7.40—Programme S.B. from London. 8.0—All Stations Programme (see London). 10.0—Weather and News. 10.30—All Stations Programme. 11.15—Savoy Bands. 12.0—Close.

GLASGOW (5SC)—420 Metres.

3.30-4.30—Dance Orchestra. 4.45-5.15—Women. 5.15-6.0—Children. 6.5-6.7—Weather for Farmers. 7.0-7.40—Programme S.B. from London. 8.0—All Stations Programme (see London). 10.0—Weather and News. 10.30—All Stations Programme. 11.15—Savoy Bands. 12.0—Close.

LIVERPOOL (6LV)—315 Metres.

3.30-4.0—Women. 4.0-5.0—Band. 5.30-6.35—Children. 6.40-12.0—From London.

BELFAST (2BE)—435 Metres.

11.30-12.30—Gramophone. 4.0-5.30—The Station Orchestra. May Reid (soprano). 5.30-6.0—Children. 7.0-8.0—From London. 8.0—All Stations Programme (see London). 10.0—Weather and News (from London). 10.10—From Aberdeen. 10.30—All Stations Programme. 11.15—Savoy Bands (from London). 12.0—Close.

SPECTATOR KILLED.

NORTHERN BICYCLE SPEED TESTS CASE.

A fatal accident during motor cycle speed tests on the road between Newtownards and Bangor, in April, 1923, was recalled in the Northern High Court yesterday, when Mr. John McGonigal, K.C., on behalf of James V. Malcomson, apprentice, Lurgan, moved for judgment on the findings of the jury in an action brought against him and the Committee of the North Down Motor Cycling Club by Agnes McKee, widow, 42 Sandown road, Belfast.

Harry McKee, son of the plaintiff, was killed when watching the tests by a motor cycle (driven by Malcomson at between 45 and 50 miles an hour) which skidded and dashed into a hedge at the side of the road. The jury had found that Malcomson had shown no negligence in the control of his bicycle, but that the holding of speed trials rendered the highway dangerous for other users. The Committee was guilty of negligence in permitting Malcomson to drive a motor cycle at a dangerous or excessive speed over the highway. The jury had given no answer to a question as to whether the defendants, by the exercise of reasonable care, could have avoided the accident.

Lord Justice Moore abstained from giving judgment, and left the parties respectively to move for judgment as they might be advised.

M. Rudzinsky, the leader of the Polish Radical-Socialist Party, has demanded the recall of the Polish Minister in London, whom, he declares, wants to sacrifice Poland in order to increase Germany's strength.

The President of the Portuguese Republic has tendered his resignation.

Spain has concluded a commercial agreement with Belgium, coming into force on May 1. The new arrangement will put an end to the present tariff war between the two countries.

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DUBLIN THEATRES.

"TOM JONES" AT THE GAIETY.

RATHMINES AND RATHGAR MUSICAL SOCIETY.

The performance last night at the Gaiety Theatre of "Tom Jones," by the Rathmines and Rathgar Musical Society, was in some respects their most notable and admirable achievement. It had the advantage of being presented before a crowded and distinguished audience, which included the Governor General and party.

The concerted numbers, the choruses and *ensembles* were given with fulness of tone, and Mr. Weaving, in his handling of the orchestra, lent to the work an invaluable element of success.

Miss May Doyle, an artist who has won such admiration in other operas, was a captivating Sophia, and she delighted everyone by her singing of the two exceptionally pleasant numbers, "To-day my Spinet," and "Dream-a-day Jill." Her triumph came in the celebrated waltz song, and she also joined in many of the concerted parts, the most pleasing of which was the melodious madrigal, which earned more than one recall.

Miss Mabel Home is another lady whose talents have lent great strength to the Society. She appeared as Honor—the pert and cozening maid to Sophia, and she brought out with the most dainty touches the comedy of the part. A particularly clever and effective performance was the Lady Ballaston of Miss Lively Chancellor. The Misses Eileen Knowles, Margie Hall and Mida O'Brien filled lesser parts with success.

On the male side there were four artists of distinction, Alf Gaynor, A. J. O'Farrell, T. E. Attwooll and E. M. Healy. Mr. Gaynor has played many parts, from Gilbert and Sullivan's to very broad comedy, but in his presentation of Benjamin Partridge, the Upton barber, his quaint humour, his neat dancing and resourceful "gagging" had full play. He had an excellent foil in Mr. E. M. Healy, as Gregory, and between them they kept the house rocking with laughter. The last-named gave a thoroughly amusing rendering to the song of the Somersetshire yokel, "Uncle Jan Tapolt."

As Squire Western, A. J. O'Farrell gave a finished portrayal to the bluff, hard-drinking, blustering father of Sophia. His song, "On a January Morning," was a feature of the night.

In Mr. T. E. Attwooll, who appeared as Tom Jones, the audience had a pleasant surprise. He is a newcomer, possessed of a fine stage presence, a baritone voice of delightful quality, and an easy deportment, and he acquitted himself admirably.

Messrs. A. E. Glynn, Hal Glynn, W. Comerford, P. A. Delany and C. Rohn filled in the picture by finished performances.

The producer, Mr. Stanley Howard, deserves all praise for the way in which the picturesque work was staged, and the audience were enthusiastic.

THEATRE ROYAL.

The entertainment at the Hippodrome this week is the best that has been given there for some time. There is not a weak "turn." Figuring prominently, because of the originality of her act, is Niobe, described as "The Aquatic Novelty." Certainly she lives up to her title by performing remarkable things while immersed in a tank of water. Here she entertained her audience by eating, drinking, sewing, writing and talking. Another good "turn" was that given by the Swanee Minstels, under the leadership of Dave Davis and Norman Savage. The party kept up a running fire of mirth, melody and dance, and was repeatedly recalled before the curtain. The American Comical Wonderettes is a clever and ingenious marionette show. The Houston Sisters were very entertaining. The Terry Twins, Foster Kershaw, Rosie Lloyd, and Foy and Fey, in a comedy acrobatic "turn," completed a good bill.

OLYMPIA THEATRE.

Graham Watson presented "Winners of 1925" with considerable success in the Olympia Theatre last night. The revue is a bright production, with good vocal and instrumental music, and well executed dancing. The entire company is a capable body of artistes, and the result of the performance was a very enjoyable entertainment. Hugh Ogilvie is a clever humorist. The comedy element was augmented by Jack Holden. Ruby Stewart and Jose Goray contributed largely to the enjoyment. One of the best items was the contributions of The Three Argents—"Voices on Strings." Glyn Grafton and his fiddle won applause, while the Gulliver Girls gave some pretty exhibitions of dancing. Others who did well were Yvonne Haye, Fred Lewis, Gus Fratton, Dorothy Jones, Ivy Paton, Nora Bridges and Glyn Grafton.

QUEEN'S THEATRE.

Large audiences attended and enjoyed what is described as "A Revusical Musical Comedy Revue," at the Queen's Theatre last night. It is entitled "Surprises," and is produced in five "packets," written by Alfred Harlin, who takes the part of Jack Graham, the hotel manager. All the musical items were capably rendered, especially the *falsetto* singing of popular airs by Alfred Harlin. The dancing was a particular feature of the revue. The humorous element was sustained by Frank Preston, who acted the part of "Muggles," a hotel porter.

MISS BURCHILL'S PUPILS.

In the Abbey Theatre, Dublin, last night Miss Eveline Burchill's pupils gave a very enjoyable dancing display. The opening item, National Dances, put the performers and audience on good terms with each other at once, particularly the Welsh Dance by tiny tots, who did their parts with a solemn gusto, which won all hearts. Miss Muriel Mackenzie and Mr. H. Burchill gave a finished exhibition of waltzing, for which the former received the reward of (literally) a cabbage rose! Miss Ada McVittie, in rose red and tinsel, danced a *pas seul* in a very graceful manner. The Domestic Trio caused great merriment; in this, and indeed in everything in which she joined, Miss Betty Robbins was excellent. A gavotte, danced by Miss Doris Gould, who was dressed in pale pink and gold, was a very popular item. One of the best dances on the programme was the Bird Ballet, in which Miss Elaine Freeman was inimitable as the Peacock, and Miss Muriel Mackenzie's toe dancing in the swan part was very good.

LIBERTY OF THE PRESS.

At a dinner of the London Master Printers' Association last night Sir Ernest Wild, Recorder of London, referred to the controversy regarding publicity of the Press, and said that he was all on the side of publicity. He believed, with all its dangers—and there were many—that the one thing that was essential to justice was that the Press should be at liberty to report proceedings. Except so far as the law of libel was concerned he did not think that Legislature should tamper with a free Press.

DEVELOPING THE TELEPHONE.

WORK IN THE FREE STATE.

STREET KIOSKS IN DUBLIN.

The reduction in the charges to telephone users in the Free State under Mr. Blythe's Budget will come into operation probably on July 1st next, the beginning of a new quarter. In the meantime the department will be engaged in clerical work preparatory to the alteration.

PRIVATE USERS' RENTALS.

The main change made by the Budget proposal concerns private users, whose rentals are reduced by one-third, from £7 10s. to £5 per year. The charges for three-minute local calls for all users will be 1½d. and 2d. instead of the present 1½d. and 3d. The former is for calls up to five miles, and the 2d. for distances up to 7½ miles. Beyond that the call is charged for at trunk rates. The rental for first lines to business houses is reduced from £7 10s. to £6 10s. Under the new arrangement the existing discount of five per cent. on local calls over 2,000 a year will be discontinued. This was a small thing for the users, but it gave the telephone department a lot of trouble in accountancy.

In comparison with Great Britain and Northern Ireland, the new rentals are 10s. per year less.

For local calls up to five miles the British charges are one farthing less, and in their second classification their fee is the same as the new fee here—twopence. In some parts of Great Britain the distance covered by the twopence is twenty miles, as against over 7½. For distances beyond twenty miles the charges are the same in both countries. For call office local messages the charges are 2d. and 4d., according to distance, both in Great Britain and in the Free State.

TELEPHONE DEVELOPMENT.

An *Irish Times* representative got some interesting information when he called at the headquarters of the telephone department in Dublin Castle yesterday. The desire of the Minister for Posts and Telegraphs is to extend the use of the telephone into every part of the Saorstat, until after some years an installation will be found in almost every house, as is the case in Sweden. We are yet a long way off that, but a good start has been made. In the matter of telephone development, Ireland is about 25 years' arrears to make up. From the taking over from the National Telephone Co. in 1912 very little money was available for the purpose, and the surprise is that so much, and not so little, has been done in the past three years, notably in the past six months. Most of the exchanges in the Free State, including the Central Exchange in Dublin, are out of date, and in the city and suburbs there is a marked congestion of the lines. For many months past the department has been meeting the latter difficulty by laying down a large number of underground cables. It is on these programme to fit all the Dublin exchanges, bit by bit, with the automatic telephones in use in a limited number of towns in England.

Telephone development, our representative was informed, is a difficult and costly business, and both the capital available and the human material to carry out even part of a necessary programme are limited. Last year the Post Office opened up several new areas, and laid a direct line from Sligo to Dublin. The coming year's plans include the linking-up of Dublin with the West by a trunk line from Athlone, through Roscommon, Castlerea and Claremorris to Westport and Ballina, and another trunk from Athenry to Claremorris. In connection with those lines exchanges will be established in several parts of Roscommon and Mayo, counties which, so far, have been almost altogether without the telephone. Services to some out-of-the-way, but rather important, areas in the South and South-East will also be set up.

While the Department is doing the best that it can with limited emergency staffs and the high costs of installation necessaries, there is an ever-increasing demand for more 'phones. This comes most markedly from the rural districts, and is a direct result of the restriction on the free delivery of telegrams. Creameries, business people, and private householders all want the telephone, and there is now a lengthy waiting list to be attended as the Department can find the men and the money. Already the reduction in the rentals has added to the list of applicants. Additional accommodation must be provided before any more new subscribers can be taken on.

STREET KIOSKS.

With all the work that lies at their hands, the heads of the Department have at last succeeded in making a start on a telephone reform which has been long needed in Dublin. As an experiment, a telephone kiosk is to be set up immediately beside the Grattan statue in College Green, a project that would now be in operation but for the opposition of the late Dublin Corporation. From the kiosk a person can ring up at any hour of the day or night, including Sundays and holidays when the ordinary public call offices are closed. In the City of Stockholm there are five hundred of those very necessary adjuncts to modern life.

While the development of the existing system throughout the country calls for first attention, some progress is being made with the provision of the automatic telephone in Dublin. A relief exchange so fitted up is being constructed in Ship street, and, little by little, the system, which is a wonderful boon to users, will be extended to the other city exchanges. The highly technical work required for such an installation makes the process of conversion a tedious one.

MOTOR CYCLIST KILLED.

MEMBER OF THE ROYAL ULSTER CONSTABULARY.

Constable Neill, Royal Ulster Constabulary, was killed in a motor cycling accident at Cullybackey, Co. Antrim, last Sunday evening. He was about 24 years of age, and a native of the Ballycastle district, and had been stationed in Portglenone.

At an inquest yesterday it was stated that the deceased had just rounded the bend in the road below Cullybackey Orange Hall when his machine struck the kerbstone and he was thrown over a wall, to fall within two yards of the river's edge. The jury returned a verdict in accordance with the medical evidence, which was, that death was due to shock and hemorrhage, the result of a fractured skull and laceration of the brain.

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LABOUR LEADER'S LIBEL ACTION.

MR. LARKIN'S EVIDENCE.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE O'SHAUGHNESSY AND A CITY SPECIAL JURY.)

The action of Johnson v. Larkin and others was a suit brought by Mr. Thomas Johnson, T.D., of 53 Edenvale road, Ranelagh, a member of Dail Eireann, Labour leader, to recover damages laid at £2,000 (£1,000 in each case) against the defendant, James Larkin, trade union organiser, of 54 Upper Beechwood avenue, Ranelagh, and the Gaelic Press, published at 21 Upper Liffey street, of which the defendant, Larkin, is editor and proprietor, for alleged libel.

The statement of claim set out that the defendant, in the issue of the "Irish Worker" of 24th May, 1924, wrote and published the words as follows:—

"Johnson Incites to Chaos.—Johnson's T.D. attitude towards the unemployed has now been defined by himself. Hereunder we give his statement in the Dail on the question, taken from the *Irish Independent* of Wednesday, 21st inst., and append the correspondence between unemployed ex-soldiers and the Government and Dail members:—

"Mr. Johnson (Labour) thought the Ministry was bound to take notice of the representations made regarding pensions. Referring to the letter the demobilised soldiers sent to the members of the Dail, he hoped that kind of solicitation would not be created by any organisation which required sympathy or assistance. The Government must take warning of a rising tide of agitation and discontent not only amongst demobilised soldiers. The unemployment question would have to be dealt with in a very much bigger manner than the Government seemed to have even dreamt of. This evil of unemployment was as serious as that other problem that confronted the Government two years ago, and would have to be dealt with in the same manner. They would have to raise a civil and industrial army.

"Dealing with the problem in the same manner as 'the problem that faced the country two years ago' means that the workers thrown out of work as a direct result of the murderous and suicidal policy of the Government of which Mr. Johnson is one of the advisers must be shot down even as the 'irregulars' were in the event of their agitating for work. It is time Labour dealt with this English traitor. Months ago we told our readers that Johnson was going over to capitalism, and by that we meant that his services were in the market. He has now gone further than any capitalist dare have gone, for his indictment of the Labour leaders is the most cold-blooded and callous statement in our times, not excepting his call on the Government a year and a half ago to shoot Republicans. In view of this and much more, Johnson is a member of the Irish Union of Distributive Workers and Secretary of the Irish Labour Party. What do the rank and file in the Distributive Workers' Union intend to do about that? Are they satisfied to be shot down like dogs when they agitate for a living? If they are not get rid of this scoundrel at once they will get the bullet and bayonet in reward for their fealty to what he stands for. Behind Johnson, in the Labour Party stands William O'Brien, I.T.G.W. Union, and Senator Foran, I.T. and G.W.U. Let it not be forgotten the Gas Works strike is now on in the city, and the opportune moment has been chosen for the new policy. If a single gas worker is shot as a result of Johnson's incitement to murder, the blood of the victim is on the head of Johnson. Let it not be forgotten.

"The last sentence in Johnson's statement is an invitation to the Government to organise an army of scabs. They would have to raise a civil and industrial army. But plainly the meaning is that the Government must have an army of scabs to break any strike or lock-out precipitated by the bosses of Irish capitalism. If this does not open the eyes of the workers to the chronic ramadan of Johnson, there is nothing for them but a dose of the lead which Johnson promises to those who dare to look for work."

The plaintiff contended that these words were a libel and defamatory, that he advised that workers were to be shot down as "irregulars" were, that an army of "scabs" should be organised, and that he was held up to public odium and contempt by these false and malicious statements.

The defendants denied the printing and publication of the words set out, that they did not mean and were not understood what was alleged in the statement of claim, that they were no libel and were incapable of any libellous meaning.

Counsel for the plaintiff—Serjeant Hanna, P. Lynch, K.C., and Martin Maguire (instructed by Messrs. James O'Connor and Co.)

For the defendant (James Larkin)—Albert Wood, K.C., and A. Lynn (instructed by William Smyth and Son).

For the Gaelic Press—Joseph O'Connor, K.C., and J. V. Nolan (instructed by Messrs. Noyk and O'Reilly).

THE PLAINTIFF'S CASE.

Opening the case for the plaintiff, Serjeant Hanna said that Mr. Johnson had been all his life associated with the Labour movement. Referring to the position of Mr. Johnson in the Dail, counsel said that he was regarded by the Government as the leader of the Opposition in the House. In the article complained of as a libel, the plaintiff was described as a traitor who betrayed the trust which the working classes had placed in him and held out his services to anyone who would buy them. Counsel went on to say that Mr. Johnson was born in Liverpool and came to Ireland in 1892. For some years he carried on business as a commercial traveller, and during all that time identified himself with the Labour Party. Before coming to Dublin he was resident in Belfast. In 1911 he was appointed delegate to the Irish Trade Union Congress. He was also appointed a member of the Parliamentary Committee and became chairman of that Committee in 1914, and held that position ever since. Mr. Johnson held a public position which made him a target for criticism, but such criticism must be subject to the law of libel.

Counsel then referred to the defendants, James Larkin and the Gaelic Press. Mr. Larkin, he said, was about nine years in Ireland. He was seven and a half years in this country before the European War, and he then left for eight years and was back nearly two. He had done, counsel supposed, a great deal for the working classes, but he was a man who did not brook any opposition, and anyone venturing to suggest that he should not be in the front of the picture. Proceeding to deal with the matters which led to the alleged libel, Serjeant Hanna said that, in May, 1924, a gas strike took place in Dublin. Larkin endeavoured to institute a new union opposed to the Irish Transport Workers' Union. In the course of events that followed, certain premises were taken from Mr. Larkin, and, smarting under that defeat, he endeavoured to start the rival union. A situation was arising at the time which would have spread dangerously if the proper match had been set to it. In the month of May a debate took place in the Dail in reference to pensions to demobilised soldiers of the Free State Army, and Mr. Johnson thought it his duty, on behalf of Labour, to indicate to the Government that the unemployment of demobilised soldiers was only one portion of the entire unemployment in the country, that the Government should take steps to carry out great works, and that the unemployed should be brought into them in an organised manner. The aim of Mr. Johnson was to organise the unemployed and have an industrial army that the Government could avail themselves of in carrying out these projects.

The heading to Mr. Larkin's article was—"Johnson Incites to Chaos," and there was also the statement: "Johnson says shoot." This was suggesting that Mr. Johnson was advising the Government that men who were unemployed should be shot down. "A scandalous, I might say a blackguard, suggestion." His client claimed a vindication from these outrageous and scandalous aspersions.

PLAINTIFF'S EVIDENCE.

Mr. Thomas Johnson, T.D., plaintiff, examined by Serjeant Hanna, replied to questions as to his association with the Labour movement, and said he had been Secretary of the Trade Union Congress since 1918, and that was the first time he had taken any money from the Labour movement.

In the Dail do the other members call you the leader of the Opposition? The Government call me the leader of the Opposition.

You were returned as a Labour member? Yes.

Have you ever departed from the principles you were sent there to support? Certainly not.

Questioned as to his speech in the Dail in the month of May, witness said that the subject under discussion was the condition of ex-Servicemen, and he suggested that the duty of the Government was to treat this as they would treat any other national emergency in an organised fashion, and that was the method of treating this unemployment problem. The publication complained of did not bear out the sense of his observations.

Replying to questions, the witness denied in detail the suggestions in the article.

"In reference to the word 'traitor,'" asked counsel, "have you ever sold the interests of the working classes or betrayed them?"

"No," was the emphatic reply of the witness. He also declared that there was no foundation whatever for any suggestion that he ever incited to the shooting of workers.

Having read the article, what effect would that document have as a whole on your public position? That the reader who did not know me would believe that I was entirely untrustworthy, and prepared to sell the interests of the workers who had given me their confidence; that I had incited the Government to form an Army to shoot down strikers, and, as a consequence, was further unworthy of my position; that I incited the Government to organise an Army to break strikes, which action would make me unworthy to act in a capacity representative of the working classes.

In cross-examination by Mr. Wood, she witness said that the report in the paper would not do him any special harm. Only when brought into connection with other comments the harm would arise.

Counsel then put some questions to witness as to his attitude at the outbreak of the European war, and asked did he support militarism, commercialism, and capitalism against the worker.

"I did not," answered witness.

Mr. Wood—Did you support the war? I did not.

Did you support Great Britain and France against Germany? I was a citizen in Belfast and a member of the Belfast Trades Council, and all a question arose whether I would favour the Allies or the Germans I supported the Allies, but I made no public proclamation whatsoever.

Continuing, the witness said he was a revolutionist by evolution. He had opposed secret military courts, searchings, arrests and imprisonment without trial.

Serjeant Hanna—You do not espouse or support the views of Russian Bolshevism? I do not. I am in favour of the self-determination of peoples, and against the domination of military rule.

Mr. Justice O'Shaughnessy—Are you a believer in the Ten Commandants? I am, my lord. (Laughter.)

OTHER EVIDENCE.

Luke Duffy, former Chairman of the Irish Labour Party and Trades Union Congress, in reply to Mr. Martin Maguire, said that he had read the issue of the *Irish Worker* containing the alleged libel, and regarded it as an attack that would discredit any man to public odium and expose him to injury. He also thought that those who did not know Mr. Johnson would say "there is something in it," and, as a matter of fact, the article had an injurious effect.

Mr. Patrick Hogan, T.D., was examined, and said that, having heard the speech at the Dail, he regarded what appeared in the defendant's paper as unfair, and an attempt to discredit Mr. Johnson, and to show that he could not be trusted as a leader. He had known the plaintiff for years, and had never known of his having gone over to Capitalism.

Mr. Timothy Murphy, T.D., also gave evidence as to the injurious effect which the article complained of was calculated to produce.

Mr. Joseph Stanley (who attended on subpœna), of the Gaelic Press, said that he did the printing for Larkin, and stated that there were 4,000 copies of the *Irish Worker* printed for him and 150 posters.

To Mr. Wood—The witness was paid a fee by Mr. Larkin to submit his article to his solicitors, and he did so in a great many cases—when he was in doubt.

This closed the case for the plaintiff.

DEFENDANT'S EXAMINATION.

Mr. James Larkin, the defendant, examined by Mr. Wood, K.C., said that, in his opinion, the comments made in the paper were perfectly true and well founded and fair. He did not write the article complained of. The man who wrote it was in court. "If I wrote it?" he added. "there would be more bitterness and invective in it."

Cross-examined by Serjeant Hanna—You did not write it? I wish I had the power to write such an article.

You approve of it? Yes, every line of it. He added that he would repeat it if all the juries in Dublin gave a verdict against the defendants.

"You are above the juries of the law?" suggested counsel.

"Yes," answered Mr. Larkin. "I am."

"These are the principles of Moscow!" asked Mr. Hanna.

"Yes, these are the principles of Moscow," replied the witness, still shouting. "I do not preach to unorganised men one day, and to-morrow incite to their murder. They are the principles of Moscow. I am a member of the Moscow Soviet. There have been men murdered in Belfast by unctious Christians like yourself."

Serjeant Hanna—Are the people who elected you to the Moscow Soviet popularly known as the nine tailors of Moscow? No; they are men working in the ordinary way.

You represent the nine tailors of Moscow? No; I represent a fabric or a factory.

Replying to other questions, Mr. Larkin said—"I made charges against this creature (indicating Mr. Johnson), and against that hang-dog-looking man behind you."

Serjeant Hanna—You are full of malice against these men? Yes, until I drive them into oblivion. "Otherwise," he added, with a smile, "in a Christian spirit I would be glad to save their souls."

At the close of this evidence.

Serjeant Hanna said that he would ask for a direction. It was only a question of damages. The answers given by Mr. Larkin put an end to the question of malice, and there was nothing now but the question of damages.

Mr. Wood said that his case was not dependent on what Mr. Larkin said. He would submit to the jury that there was fair and honest comment.

The further hearing was adjourned till this morning.

CONTRACTOR AND COUNCIL

NEW TRIAL MOTION REFUSED.

(BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, MR. JUSTICE O'CONNOR AND MR. JUSTICE FITZGIBBON.)

The arguments concluded in the application by the plaintiff for an order directing a new trial in the case of Somers v. South Dublin Rural District Council, and the Court dismissed the application with costs.

The action had been brought by the plaintiff, Mr. Joseph P. Somers, contractor, of Clondalkin, against the defendants, the South Dublin Rural District Council, to recover damages for alleged libel and slander in connection with two contracts which the plaintiff had entered into with the defendants for the erection of labourers' cottages. It appeared that some disagreements, followed by litigation, occurred between the parties with respect to the contracts, and the plaintiff had ceased work and was unable, as stated, to complete the contracts. Prior to the litigation certain letters had passed between the Clerk to the Council and the plaintiff's solicitor and others relating to the matter, and certain verbal statements had also been made. The plaintiff's action arose out of written and spoken words, which, he complained, were calculated to prejudice and injure him in his business. Before bringing the present action for alleged libel and slander the plaintiff obtained judgment for a considerable amount against the defendants for damages with respect to the contracts.

The action for libel and slander had been tried before Mr. Justice Johnston and a special jury and resulted in a verdict and judgment in favour of the defendants. The plaintiff now sought to have the verdict and judgment set aside and a new trial ordered on the grounds that the judge was wrong in withdrawing the case from the jury, and that he misdirected the jury in certain directions that he gave.

The Chief Justice, giving judgment referred to the moderate way in which the plaintiff had presented his case and the serious efforts that he had made to argue his case. It did not appear to them, however, that he had been able to show as a matter of law any ground for the application or for the exception he had taken to the rulings of the judge at the trial. He was not blind to the fact, he added, that the plaintiff had suffered very much on account of the events that happened; and he was not entirely satisfied that the Council had acted in a way of which they could approve. They were only concerned, however, with the causes of action pleaded and the directions given by the judge at the trial.

Mr. Justice O'Connor, concurring, said that he believed that the plaintiff honestly intended to carry out his contract and did not intend to do anything wrong.

The plaintiff—I have found it impossible to go on with the work.

Mr. Justice FitzGibbon also concurred.

The appeal was accordingly dismissed, with costs.

Mr. Somers, the plaintiff, conducted his own case.

Mr. Lynch, K.C.; Mr. Shannon, K.C., and Mr. P. O'C. White (instructed by Mr. John P. Doyle) appeared for the defendants, the R.D.C.

ACTION AGAINST WOMAN DOCTOR.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE JOHNSTON.)

In the case of Mrs. Mary Jordan, 20 Kildare street, Dublin, against Dr. Teresa Jones, 4 Lower Fitzwilliam street, Dublin, Mr. W. J. Gleeson (instructed by Mr. Gerald Tench) applied on behalf of the plaintiff for an order for the discovery of documents. The action was for alleged negligence by the defendant in the treatment of the plaintiff, and the defendant had already got an order for discovery against the plaintiff.

Mr. Justice Johnston made the order sought.

CORK FARMER'S WILL

CONTESTED BY WIDOW.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE SULLIVAN.)

The trial concluded, after three days' hearing, of the County Cork will suit, in which the plaintiff, Timothy Kelly, claiming to be sole executor of the last will of Maurice Coughlan, his first cousin, a farmer, late of Waterrock, Midleton, Co. Cork, asked the Court to decree probate. The will was dated the 20th April, 1923, and the testator died on the 13th November of last year. The estate was valued at over £3,000, and the defendant, Mrs. Margaret Coughlan, widow of the testator, who was left about £300, contested the will on the usual statutory grounds.

The jury found that the will was duly executed, but that the testator at the time it was executed was not of sound mind, memory and understanding, and did not know and approve of its contents.

Mr. Justice Sullivan, on the findings of the jury, gave judgment for the defendant, and allowed the plaintiff his costs out of the estate.

Serjeant Hanna, Mr. Shannon, K.C., and Mr. H. J. Moloney (instructed by Dr. Danlea, Cork) appeared for the plaintiff; Mr. Lynch, K.C.; Mr. Rice, K.C., and Mr. A. Corbett (instructed by Mr. W. J. Barry, Midleton) for the defendant; and Mr. Binchy (instructed by Mr. J. J. Keane, Youghal) for Richard Coughlan, of Clashmore, Youghal, father of the deceased man.

THOMPSON'S MOTOR CAR CO., LIMITED.

LIABILITY OF DIRECTORS.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE MURNAGHAN.)

In the matter of Thompson's Motor Car Co., Ltd., in liquidation, Mr. Poole (instructed by Messrs. D. and T. Fitzgerald) applied on behalf of the Official Liquidator, Mr. David Telford, for an order giving him liberty to consult counsel as to the liability of the directors of the company, other than Charles Thompson, to pay in cash for such increased number of shares, respectively, as would give them the qualification of £2,000 and their liability to refund to the company the fees paid to them, and, generally, to act as he might be advised with regard to the matter.

In an affidavit Mr. Telford referred to Section 73 (1) of the Companies (Consolidation) Act, 1908, which required a director to acquire his qualification shares within two months after his appointment or such shorter time as might be fixed by the regulations of the company. Under Article 82 of the Articles of Association of the company a first director might act before acquiring his qualification, but should acquire same within three months of being appointed a director.

The qualification of directors was declared by Article 82 to be the holding of shares or stock of the company of the nominal value of not less than £2000. By special resolution passed at a meeting of the shareholders held on 28th October, 1921, and confirmed at a subsequent meeting held on 14th November, 1921, the figure £2,000 was substituted for £200 as the qualification of directors. At the time of the passing and confirmation of the resolution the following were the directors:—Charles Thompson, holder of shares to the nominal value of £2,383; John D. Wallis, do., nil; Thomas Robert McCullagh, do., £100; David Frame Nicholl, do., £250; W. Gordon, do., £2,000.

John D. Wallis and Thomas Robert McCullagh never held the qualification fixed by Article 82, and neither John D. Wallis, Thomas Robert McCullagh, nor David Frame Nicholl ever acquired the increased qualification, nor were they ever entered on the register as holders of the additional shares, although they continued to act as directors down to the date of the winding-up order. William Gordon Mitchell was co-opted as a director on 12th October, 1921, and on 13th February, 1922, 2,500 shares were allotted to him. Mr. Frederick H. Hall was co-opted a director on the 1st May, 1914, and continued to act as such until his resignation on 31st October, 1921, without holding the qualification of £200 required by Article 82. He acquired, or was allotted, 125 shares on the 2nd March, 1915, but never acquired or was registered for any larger number of shares. The unissued shares of the company amounted to £29,167, of which £23,000, according to the contract with the Motor Hirage and Sales Company, Ltd., to sell, was intended to be allotted to that company or its nominees, thus leaving sufficient for the qualification of the several directors.

A representative of Messrs. Orpen and Sweeny, solicitors for the Royal Bank of Ireland, stated that the bank thought the application was one which should be granted.

Mr. Justice Murnaghan granted the application, remarking that if the liquidator thought it right to have this matter investigated, he did not see why the investigation should not be made.

FILM COMPANY'S CLAIM.

QUESTION OF A CONTRACT.

In the case of the Pavilion Cinema and Café, Ltd. (in liquidation), Mr. Nolan-Whelan (instructed by Messrs. Taylor and Robinson) applied on behalf of the Ideal Film Company, Ltd., for directions with reference to the findings of the Chief Clerk, who had only allowed the claim of the company in respect of a film that had actually been exhibited under six contracts with the Pavilion Cinema and Café, Ltd. There was due to the Ideal Films, Ltd., the sum of £426 2s. 4d. for the hire of cinematograph films, photos, posters and carriage, as stated on affidavit by Mr. Herbert Porter, Secretary of Ideal Films, Ltd., of Wardour street, London. Only one of the films—viz., "Loves of the Mighty"—Mr. Porter said, was delivered by the Ideal Films to the Pavilion Cinema and Café, Ltd., the latter company having gone into liquidation before the dates on which the remainder of the films had matured for exhibition. None of the undelivered cinematograph films were hired to any other picture house for exhibition purposes during the respective exhibition dates set out in the contracts upon which the films were to be exhibited by the Pavilion Cinema and Café, Ltd.; and the Ideal Films, Ltd., accordingly claimed to be entitled to the full amount of £426 2s. 4d.

Mr. V. Wilson (instructed by Messrs. W. Horan and Son), who appeared for the liquidator and manager, stated he was carrying on the business of the Pavilion Cinema and Café.

Mr. Justice Murnaghan adjourned the case for a week.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.

CO. WEXFORD MURDER CHARGE.

PRISONER ACQUITTED.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE MEREDITH.)

James Rourke, of Rathnure, Co. Wexford, was acquitted on the charge of murdering a young man named James Fenlon on the 29th June last, by shooting him with a shot gun.

Mr. Carrigan, K.C., prosecuting, said that the prisoner had been forbidden to enter the house of a Mr. Forrestal, where his brother was employed, but Miss Forrestal, sister of the occupier, allowed him to have his meals there, because he was unemployed. On the morning of the crime, which was a Catholic holiday, the accused came to the house. There was some talking, and later Miss Forrestal heard the deceased go towards the stable, and then, to her surprise, she heard a shot. On running out, she met the accused at the door of the kitchen, with a gun in his hand. The accused said, "I am after shooting Jimmy Fenlon. The gun went off. What will I do?"

Miss Mary Forrestal bore out counsel's evidence.

Mr. Richard Forrestal gave evidence that on returning from Mass on the day in question he found Fenlon lying dead in the yard. The gun (produced), was witness's. He kept it over the fireplace in the kitchen. He would not have allowed the prisoner near the house. The gun was always kept loaded, because he was afraid of its being taken, as others had been before.

For the defence, the accused said that he was standing at the kitchen door with the gun in his hand when a shot went off, hitting Fenlon in the head. He went over to the deceased and then went into the kitchen and told Miss Forrestal what had happened. He did not intend to shoot Fenlon. After the shooting he

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On each day return tickets at single fares, available for return on either date, will be issued to Sallins or Naas from Cork, Limerick, Clonmel, Cashel, Nenagh, Birr, Mountmellick, Waterford, Kilkenny, Athlone, Banagher, Tullow and intermediate stations. Passengers from Tullow and intermediate stations can also obtain the cheap tickets to Punchestown if desired.
On each day the 11.40 a.m. ordinary train from Tullow will be altered to leave at 11.0 a.m., and run correspondingly earlier to Sallins.
The 5.0 a.m. ordinary train from Cork and the 5.0 p.m. from Kingsbridge will call at Sallins each day of the races.
M. F. KEOGH, General Manager.
Kingsbridge Station, Dublin,
April, 1925.

GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY (IRELAND).
RENEWAL OF BRIDGES. TEMPORARY CLOSING OF LINE BETWEEN NEWBLISS AND CLONES.
ON AND FROM MONDAY, 4th, and CONTINUING SATURDAY, 23rd MAY, the Line between Newbliss and Clones will be CLOSED TO ALL TRAFFIC.
A Train Service will be maintained between Newbliss, Clontehill and Dundalk, and between Clones and Derry.
A SPECIAL TRAIN SERVICE FOR PASSENGERS WILL BE GIVEN VIA GORAGHWOOD AND ARMAGH, WITH STATIONS EAST AND WEST OF CLONES IN BOTH DIRECTIONS, AND CONNECTIONS WILL ALSO BE MADE VIA PORTADOWN.
The Company will not accept any responsibility for delay to traffic consequent upon diversion from the ordinary route.
For full particulars see Placards, or apply at Stations.
JOHN DAGWELL, General Manager.
Dublin, April, 1925.

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PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

THEATRE ROYAL.
6.45 ..... TWICE NIGHTLY ..... 9.0.
SPECIAL RETURN VISIT!
DAVE DAVIS presents the famous
SWANEE MINSTRELS.
A DUBLIN LADY, The Aquatic Marvel,
NIOBE,
Talks, Sings, Eats, and performs other sensational feats under water.
SHIRTLE'S THE TERRY TWINS, ROSIE LLOYD, FOY & FEY, FOSTER KERSHAW,
A New Feature Act Par Excellence,
HOUSTON SISTERS.

THE PAVILION,
DUN LAOGHAIRE. 3 o'c. to 10.15.
ENORMOUS SUCCESS!
MISS LILLIAN GISH IN
"THE WHITE SISTER."
At 3 o'c., 5.40 and 8.15. Comedy, Pictorial, etc.

LA SCALA THEATRE.
SPECIAL ATTRACTION.
"DAUGHTERS OF THE DESERT."
Featuring
MARIA JACOBINI and HARRY LIEDTKE.
A Story of a Bedouin's Love.
Full Supporting Programme.
Orchestra.

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ALL WEEK.
"FOR SALE,"
Featuring
CLAIRE WINDSOR,
ADOLPHE MENJOU,
And
MARY CARR.
SHOWING AT 2.55, 5, 7.5, 9.10.

PUNCHESTOWN WEEK.
DANCES at 8 p.m., CLERYS BALLROOM.
WEDNESDAY AND SATURDAY.
Tickets 5/- each. Evening Dress.
ADELAIDE ORPHEUS BAND.
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NOTICE TO MEMBERS OF
RAILWAY AND STEAMSHIP COMPANIES
IRISH CO-OPERATIVE ASSOCIATIONS,
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The usual facilities on presentation of cards. The utmost service rendered to members.
SPECIAL OFFERS ALL THIS WEEK.
THE GRAFTON STORES,
GRAFTON STREET, DUBLIN.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

DEPARTMENT OF LANDS AND AGRICULTURE.

DAIRY PRODUCE ACT, 1924.

The Department of Lands and Agriculture have Vacancies for a limited number of Junior Inspectors for duties in connection with the above-named Act, and the Dairy Improvement Schemes, etc. Candidates must not be under 23 nor over 45 years of age on 1st April, 1925, and must produce evidence of having had a sound, practical training in the manufacture and marketing of butter on a commercial scale. An extension of the maximum age limit may be allowed in the case of any candidate with approved service under the Department as Dairying Instructor.

Salary (pensionable), £150-£15-£350 per annum, plus Cost of Living Bonus (at present the Bonus on £150 is £113 9/-). Candidates possessing special qualifications and experience may be allowed to enter the scale at a point above the minimum.

The qualifications of candidates will be reviewed by a Selection Board set up by the Civil Service Commissioners. Preference will be given so far as possible to candidates with approved Army Service.

Applications, accompanied by copies (only) of testimonials, must be made on the prescribed form not later than 8th May, 1925. Copies of the application form, with full particulars, may be obtained from

THE SECRETARY, Department of Lands and Agriculture, etc., Upper Merrion street, Dublin.

31/G 9481. W.H.Co.

OLD AGE PENSION COMMITTEE

The Committee was appointed by the Minister for Finance to consider and report what alterations, if any, should be made in the provisions of the Acts relating to Old Age Pensions and Pensions for the Blind, respecting the machinery for the determination of claims, questions of appeals, regard being had especially to the desirability of the just and expeditious treatment of all applications.

The Committee has already held nine sittings, and has examined witnesses from many parts of Ireland.

Any persons desiring to make representations to the Committee regarding the subject matter of the above reference should forward the same, in writing, to the Secretary, 24 Kildare street, Dublin, and any person desiring to give evidence should send a copy of his proposed evidence to the same address before 9th May, 1925.

EDMOND WALSH, Secretary.
31/G.9483. W.H.Co.

NOTICE TO MOTORISTS.

MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (NORTHERN IRELAND).

Circulation of Mechanically - Propelled Vehicles between Northern Ireland and the Irish Free State.

THE INFORMAL INTER-VALIDITY ARRANGEMENTS regarding Motor Vehicle Licences and Drivers' Licences as between Northern Ireland and the Irish Free State cease at the end of this month.

Arrangements have, however, been made by the Governments of Northern Ireland and the Irish Free State Government respectively with a view to maintaining on an agreed reciprocal basis the circulation of mechanically-propelled vehicles between the two territories.

After the 1st May, 1925, any motorist from Northern Ireland visiting the Free State and making a temporary stay there for any consecutive period not exceeding four months, who brings into that country a Mechanically-propelled Vehicle registered in Northern Ireland and bearing a valid Northern Ireland identification mark and licence, will not be obliged to pay licence duty in the Free State during the time his Northern Ireland vehicle licence is in force.

A like privilege will be accorded in respect of vehicles duly registered and licensed in the Free State and used on the roads in Northern Ireland.

Drivers' licences issued in Northern Ireland will not, however, be valid in the Free State, and it will be necessary for every Northern Ireland motorist visiting the Free State to obtain a driving licence from a Registration Authority in the Free State. Similarly every Free State motorist visiting Northern Ireland will be required to obtain a Northern Ireland driving licence.

Ministry of Home Affairs for Northern Ireland, Ocean Buildings, Belfast,
16th April, 1925.

A LECTURE ON
CHRISTIAN SCIENCE
WILL BE GIVEN AT
35 MOLESWORTH STREET,
Under the auspices of First Church of Christ, Scientist, Dublin,
ON THURSDAY EVENING,
30th APRIL, 1925, at 8 o'clock,
By DR. JOHN M. TUTT, C.S.B.,
OF KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI.
Member of the Board of Lectureship of The Mother Church, the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Boston, Mass.
DOORS OPEN AT 7.30 p.m.
ALL CORDIALLY INVITED.
ADMISSION FREE.

WORLD'S WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN TEMPERANCE UNION (IRELAND).
THE ANNUAL PUBLIC MEETING
Will (D.V.) be held in the
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH HALL, ADELAIDE ROAD, on
TO-DAY (TUESDAY), 28th APRIL, at 8 p.m.
Chair to be taken by Dr. HENRY BEWLEY.
The Meeting will be Addressed by Mrs. MOFFAT CLOW, on "Alcohol and the New Age." Soloist, MISS DOROTHY SMITH. All heartily Welcome.
COLLECTION.

REGISTRATION OF CLUBS (IRELAND) ACT, 1904, AND INTOXICATING LIQUOR (GENERAL) ACT, 1924.
Take Notice that I will apply to the District Justice at the Wicklow Court, to be held in Wicklow on the 6th day of May, 1925, for a Renewal Certificate for the Wicklow Golf Club.
Dated this 28th day of April, 1925.
MICHAEL J. BUTLER, Hon. Secretary of the Wicklow Golf Club.

The Irish Times.

TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 1925.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

A strong protest against the tax on imported bottles was made yesterday at a meeting in Dublin of traders and manufacturers.—(Page 7.)

Economy in local government was the subject of an address delivered at a meeting of the Dublin Rotary Club yesterday by Mr. E. P. McCarron, Secretary to the Department of Local Government.—(Page 8.)

In Dublin yesterday the hearing commenced of an action for £2,000 damages for alleged libel, brought by Mr. Thomas Johnson, leader of the Labour Party in Dail Eireann, against Mr. James Larkin, trades union organiser, in respect of an article in the *Irish Worker*, of which the defendant was described as editor. The Gaelic Press, printers of the journal, were also sued.—(Page 5.)

Further developments in the telephone service in the Free State are proposed.—(Page 5.)

The divorce question will be raised in the Senate on Thursday.—(Page 7.)

Punchestown Meeting opens to-day.—(Page 7.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

Mr. Churchill introduces his Budget to-day.—(Page 7.)

Lord Balfour has joined the British Cabinet.—(Page 7.)

ABROAD.

Mumtaz Begum, whom, it is alleged, emissaries of the Maharajah of Indore were attempting to abduct, gave evidence yesterday in the trial of the men accused of murdering Mumtaz's companion, Bawla, in Bombay.—(Page 8.)

SPORTING.

At Ayr yesterday Ornamentation won the Montrose Handicap.—(Page 10.)

At Uttoxeter Hereford Lad won the Staffordshire Steeplechase.—(Page 10.)

FINANCIAL.

London Stock Markets were very uneven. Rails improved, but some foreign Stocks weakened on Hindenburg's election.—(Page 11.)

Money was in stronger demand in Lombard street, and borrowers paid up to 4¼ per cent. for overnight loans. Gold fell to 85s. 9d. per oz. (lowest since the war) on the big rise of sterling in New York.—(Page 11.)

Dublin Stock Market was fairly steady. Bank Stock lost a point at 278. National Loan rose to 96⅞ and Guinness improved 5-16 to 63⅝.—(Page 11.)

Germany's Challenge.

A difficult situation has been created in European affairs by the election of Field-Marshal von Hindenburg as President of the German Republic. It is a rather ironical commentary on the "newness" of our post-war world that the man who to-day is Germany's figure-head rode in a cavalry charge at Sedan. The Europe of the old passions persists in spite of her new leagues and visions, and the path along which her statesmen are striving—

Mocks their impatient steps; for all is fairy ground.

In the abortive election of March 29th the combined vote of the Republican parties was 13,000,000, and that of the Monarchist parties of the Right was 11,500,000. At Sunday's election Field-Marshal von Hindenburg, the candidate of the United Right, obtained some 14,600,000 votes, defeating Herr Marx, the Republican candidate, who polled 13,700,000, by nearly a million votes. At the second election, therefore, the Monarchists added some 3,000,000 votes to their total poll, while the Republican vote remained almost stationary. The new three million votes probably do not represent any sudden change in the political opinions of the German people. They are the votes of men and women whom the lure of Hindenburg's name brought to the polls for the first time. It is probable also that these people reflected hardly at all on the political consequences of their action: democracies—especially young democracies—do not reflect. The Germans are a sentimental nation, and Hindenburg's age, his rugged honesty, his stubborn courage in the Great War, his fidelity to his dethroned sovereign made him a hero of sentiment.

The results of the old Field-Marshal's election must be far-reaching, even though he will take the oath of allegiance to the Republic and, we may believe, intends to honour it. It is likely enough that the wiser leaders of the Right, which includes the People's Party and the Nationalists, will shrink from any attempt to upset the slow process of European settlement. Unhappily, their success has released forces which they may not be able to control. In Germany the real danger lies—as the Democratic *Tageblatt* observes—not in the person of the new President, but in the intrigues of his entourage. It is almost certain that behind Hindenburg's honest, but weary, back all the machinery of Monarchism, controlled by Admiral von Tirpitz, will begin to work furiously for the restoration of the Hohenzollerns and for revenge on France. It is wholly certain that France is convinced of the reality of this danger. The *Temps* declares that, by electing Hindenburg to the Presidency, Germany has "thrown off the mask" and has hurled defiance at the forces of concord. This conviction, whether it be well founded or foolish, is a menace to the peace of Europe; and every thoughtful German ought to have foreseen that it would be an inevitable result of the Field-Marshal's success. Informed opinion in Great Britain is staggered by Germany's rashness. In America, which, a week ago, was frankly critical of France's policy, there has been a reaction of feeling in her favour. German State bonds have fallen sharply on the New York Exchange, and the prospect of a German loan in the United States has receded to vanishing-point.

There is no need to suppose that the majority of the German people desire to destroy the existing basis of their foreign policy. Their financial and moral recovery is founded on the Dawes scheme, and repudiation of that scheme would be a national act of lunacy. There is no need to suppose that any sober-minded Frenchman would rejoice in another Franco-German crisis. Nevertheless, there is to-day a genuine danger of the renewal of that vicious circle which the statesmanship of recent months had broken at last. France conceives that her security is threatened by the victory of the German Monarchists. No doubt, some of her politicians will raise that cry, gladly enough, in order to distract public attention from the parlous condition of French finance. It is not improbable that France may find in the Field-Marshal's election a good reason for the further postponement of her withdrawal from the Ruhr. Any such hardening of French policy would be meat and drink for the German Monarchists; and a Hohenzollern *coup*, which to-day is the vague ambition of a minority, soon might become the solid purpose of a German majority inflamed by fresh resentments against France. In such circumstances the plan of a "security pact" between France and Germany—the only sound basis of peace—would receive a fatal blow. Fortunately, the Reichstag contains a Republican majority, which may be willing and able to defeat the Monarchist intrigues; and, fortunately, there are some cool and experienced heads—M. Caillaux's, for instance—in the new French Cabinet. Cool heads on both sides will be required if the German people's act of ill-timed hero-worship is not to give a serious check to the convalescence of Europe.

Local Government.

An interesting address was delivered before the Dublin Rotary Club yesterday by Mr. E. P. McCarron, Secretary to the Free State Ministry for Local Government. Mr. McCarron dealt at some length with the problem of centralisation in local affairs and made an excellent case for the new system. Under the old *régime* local government in Ireland was largely a farce. The abolition of the Grand Juries, which, with all their faults, were fairly efficient bodies, was followed by an experiment in democracy that never really succeeded. Local affairs were left in the hands of men who were elected to public boards solely on account of their political opinions. Every rural district council in Ireland became a debating club for the ventilation of current political grievances; and, while resolutions were passed by the score, the people's money was squandered in the most barefaced fashion. The roads were neglected; jobbery and nepotism were rampant; and, while rates continued to soar, efficiency declined steadily. The Free State Government has decided to reform this system. An excellent beginning has been made by the decision of the *Cumann na nGaedheal* to send forward no official candidates at the next elections. President Cosgrave is determined to banish "politics" from the affairs of local authorities, and an effort will be made henceforward to secure public boards which, while remaining thoroughly representative in the most democratic sense of the word, will be able to bring an objective mind to bear on the problems with which they will be expected to deal. Under the new Local Government system rural councils will cease to exist, and the unwieldy machinery of the past will be replaced by a more easily manageable arrangement. Money will be spent generously, if carefully, on matters like roads and public health. Mr. McCarron recognises that niggardliness in respect of these services would be poor economy; but, on the other hand, he insists that unproductive expenditure, such as that which flourished in the past, must be eliminated. In many ways local government plays a more important part in the life of a nation than the central Government of the State. It determines very largely the people's standards of health and comfort, and a country which manages its local affairs in an efficient way rarely suffers from bad "political" government. The present Free State Administration is pursuing a benevolent policy towards the local authorities. The way is clear for great reforms throughout the country, and no time should be lost in the preparation of a well co-ordinated policy which will produce good roads, well cleaned and well lit streets and healthy homes. Hitherto Ireland has suffered heavily through the sordidness and gloom of her towns and villages. Nothing could be more depressing than the conditions in which a majority of our people is forced to live. The improvement of these conditions is the real task of local government, and we are glad that the responsible department of State has a secretary who can be trusted to do his full share of the work.

American Shipping.

For a quarter of a century efforts have been made in the United States to give the Monroe Doctrine an economic interpretation and to secure that American commerce shall be conducted by American ships. The Great War gave America the opportunity to increase the proportion of the world's shipping sailing under American colours. Two years after the war the United States possessed nearly six times as much tonnage as in 1914, and to-day, while Britain owns twenty million tons, the United States possesses sixteen millions, out of a world total of sixty-one millions. Despite this remarkable measure of progress, American shipping is not flourishing. The United States Shipping Board is transferring Government ships to private companies at about a quarter of their original cost; but the companies concerned declare that, owing to the high wages demanded by American seamen, the vessels could not be run at a profit if they were bought at any higher price. While the Government ran these ships in the Pacific Ocean there was an annual loss which went into tens of millions of dollars. It is evident that the building of new ships for the replenishment of the American mercantile marine will not be profitable while present conditions continue. Accordingly, the demand for a ship subsidy has been renewed. General Pershing declares that, if the nation leaves private enterprise to maintain and develop American shipping, the United States will lose all that has been gained during the past ten years. American workers, accustomed to high wages and to material luxuries which are unknown to the toilers of other nations, must be bribed by absurdly high rewards to leave their motor cars in order to follow the arduous calling of the sea. They lack that traditional love of blue water which has made the sea the Englishman's own element; and, while Britain by nature maintains pre-eminence upon the seas, American, like German, shipping must be promoted by artificial effort.

A Chinese Critic.

General Hsu, leader of a Chinese mission now in London to study Western manners and methods, is disgusted by the late-rising habits of these progressive lands. Accustomed to rise before daybreak, he must loiter away the hours until, at eight or nine o'clock, Europeans begin to bestir themselves. In the days of the Manchus, he says, emperors, scholars and statesmen used to be at work before dawn, and Cabinet meetings would be held before daybreak. Republican China has grown sleepy-headed. It has copied the West in lying late abed, and General Hsu laments the holding of Cabinet meetings as late in the day as eleven o'clock a.m. Evidently the general is a lover of the austere and the strenuous; but it seems that the progress of civilisation goes with a slackening of character. China will rise early no more: she will go the way of Europe in the last hundred years. It is probably true that for ten men who saw the summer sunrise in Napoleon's day, only two see it now. Yet over a hundred years ago late lying had begun to come into fashion. John Wesley said that to rise early was to be filled with a feeling of superiority over other people. He himself must have been as scornful of bedded ease as General Hsu; for we read of his preaching in the early morning at Newry and in the afternoon at Dundalk, and then setting out for Dublin. With the railway and the motor car such a journey would outwear most of us to-day; but Wesley managed such travelling, year in and year out, by foot and horse. He had pardonable cause to feel superior when he sprang from his couch to go about these giant-like labours.

A FILM OF THE WEEK.

"THE MOON OF ISRAEL."

"The Moon of Israel," like another film that has been seen in Dublin lately, has within its scope some events of the Israelites' captivity in Egypt. In particular, the crossing of the Red Sea and the overwhelming of the Egyptian Army in its waters occur in both films.

"The Moon of Israel," it seems to me, was conceived in a spirit differing so much from that behind "The Ten Commandments," that the producer of the newer film does not get full justice when the spectator looks for the same thing in this as in the other.

The theme of "The Ten Commandments" is the enduring authority of the Law promulgated by Moses; and the theme is expressed first by a review of the historical setting of the Mosaic pronouncement, and, second, by the examples of the consequences of disobedience in the story of the Israelites themselves and then in a drama of modern life. Thematic scope and dramatic strength are the characteristics of that film.

In "The Moon of Israel" we have something quite different. If distinction in a word be insisted on, one might call "The Ten Commandments" strong and "The Moon of Israel" winsome. In the latter, the attention is not to the mass, or to the awful sanctions of the Mosaic Law, but to the tender little story of a Hebrew maid—a story set, indeed, against a background of the fate of Israel and the large history of the captivity in Egypt and its ending; but a story, definitely, of human beings rather than of moral forces.

From such a distinction it should, and does, follow that the treatment of certain incidents that occur in both films varies in spirit and in technique. In "The Ten Commandments" the great mass scenes show humanity in the grip of Divine justice. In "The Moon of Israel" the crowds are assemblies of very human beings, whose emotions have a direct bearing on the story of the little Hebrew maid and her royal lover. In the former film the Egyptians are overwhelmed—one is writing of dramatic significance—in pursuance of the Divine scheme. In the latter, their fate is important, in that it involves the downfall of the rival of the Egyptian prince, whose fortunes we regard sympathetically with those of the Hebrew maid. In "The Ten Commandments" Moses is an oracle of Jehovah: in "The Moon of Israel" he is a very human leader of his people.

The same qualities must not be sought in both films. By one the spectator is awed—"The Ten Commandments" has power enough for that to be said. By the other he is attracted and moved.

"The Moon of Israel" owes its story to Sir Rider Haggard. It relates the love of Seti, heir to Pharaoh, for the fair daughter of an Israelite captive; the disinheriting of Seti because he pleads for his beloved's people and desires to release them from their servile state; the happiness of Seti and Meropi, and their immunity from all the plagues by which Egypt was smitten, until the slaying of the first-born touches them also; and the death of poor little Meropi, worn out by her tribulations, at the moment of Seti's triumph.

It is the story of a maid and a man, not a story of dynasties or peoples; and the producer has kept his mass movements properly in their place as accessories. Still, these big scenes must be admired: they are among the best that the film art has produced in the way of spectacle.

On the point that will be argued by many, I am unable to give an opinion. When I saw "The Ten Commandments" I missed the Red Sea scene. It has been said that this particular spectacle is even more ingeniously done in "The Moon of Israel." What does it matter? From the dramatic point of view, a suggestion of the terror or triumph inspired by the event is more powerful than representation of the event itself. The dramatic author for the theatre as often as not places his "prime mover" events off the stage.

In "The Tragedy of Nan" Mr. Masefield does not stage the torrent of the Severn bore. No film producer can make the Red Sea triumph of the Israelites more vivid to the ordinary mind than "The Song of Miriam" makes it. Yet, in the poem, actual description is slight.

"The Moon of Israel" is to be seen at the Grand Central Cinema. At the early "show" which I attended three instrumentalists were making efforts apparently to render appropriate music. They would have done better to play something simple. At later showings, I believe, the music is better.

A.G.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—A depression over our South-West districts is moving south-eastwards to France, and high pressure is spreading southwards from Iceland. Winds will be variable at first in the extreme South, becoming generally east to north-east. There will be rain at first in South-West districts and local showers in South-East England, but fair weather is probable in Scotland and Northern England.

N.W. and N.E. Ireland—Wind mainly east to north-east, light or moderate; mainly fair; visibility good, apart from local morning mist; rather cold; ground frost at night.

S.E. and S.W. Ireland.—Wind variable, becoming north-east, fresh locally, then moderate to light; rain at first, fair later; visibility moderate to good; rather cold.

S.W. Seaboard, Irish Sea and St. George's Channel. — Wind variable at first, becoming north-east, moderate, rather squally; some rain early, fair later; visibility moderate to good; sea moderate.

N.W. Seaboard.—Wind east to north, light; mainly fair; visibility moderate to good; sea slight.

Dixon and Hempenstall, Barometers and Forecasters, 12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt)

BAROMETER.

Dublin—Monday (5 p.m.) 29.80

SUN (NEW TIME).

To-day ... Rises .. 5.58 Sets 8.48
To-morrow .. .. 5.56 .. .. 8.50
Lighting-up Time 9.48

HIGH WATER.

DUBLIN.

To-day ... Morning 3.22 Afternoon 3.42
To-morrow .. .. 4. 3 .. .. 4.25

COURT AND PERSONAL.

To-morrow Prince George is expected to leave Buckingham Palace for the Far East, to take up duty with the British Squadron on the China Station. Owing to his recent illness, his departure was postponed two months ago.

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Princess Beatrice, who has been staying for the past three months with the Earl of Athlone and Princess Alice at Government House, Capetown, left for England last Saturday in the ss. Arundel Castle. Mr. Victor Corkran, who has been in attendance on the Princess during her African visit, will join the Hon. Mrs. Corkran on his return at their residence near Frant, Sussex. Princess Marie Louise left Government House, Accra, yesterday, for a two-months' tour through Ashanti and the Northern Territories.

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The Duchess of Sutherland arrived in Paris yesterday from Madrid, and is expected to return to-day to Hampden House, where, on Thursday evening, she will hold a reception for the members and delegates of the Primrose League. The Duchess of Newcastle has left Clumber for Berkeley House, Hayhill, where the Duke of Newcastle will join her on his return from Cannes. Constance Duchess of Westminster and Captain Fitzpatrick Lewis have arrived in London.

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The Earl of Granard left Castle Forbes yesterday for London. The guests of Lady Weldon and her son, Sir Anthony Weldon, at Kilmoroney, Athy, for Punchestown Races, include the Marquis and Marchioness of Headfort, Lady Millicent Taylour and Miss Loeffleur. Lord Bellew, who has been spending the past three months in London, has arrived in Dublin. Lord Southampton has arrived in Dublin for Punchestown Races.

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The Marchioness of Anglesey has recovered from her recent attack of measles. The Marquis of Lansdowne, though better, is still obliged to keep his room, and can make no engagements at present. The Earl of Ypres is progressing most satisfactorily. Madame Merry del Val, mother of the Spanish Ambassador, though still seriously ill, showed a slight improvement on Sunday.

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Earl Beauchamp has returned from a short stay in Paris, and has joined Countess Beauchamp at Hallen House, Belgrave square, London, where they will give a concert on May 8th. The Marquis and Marchioness of Northampton and the Marquis and Marchioness of Salisbury have arrived in London for the season. Other arrivals within the last two days include the Earl of Lisburne, the Earl and Countess of Liverpool, Julia Countess of Dartrey, Lord and Lady Cullen of Ashbourne, Lord and Lady Dunedin, Sir William Manning and Lady and the Misses Manning, Lady Severn, Viscountess Rhondda, Lady Wolverton and Lord Shaw of Dunfermline.

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Mrs. Roosevelt, widow of President Roosevelt, and her sister, Miss Carow, have been making a short stay in Malta, where they have been visiting many places of historic interest. On Sunday they were entertained at luncheon at the Palace by the Governor and Lady Congreve, and yesterday they left Valetta for Syracuse. They will sail for New York on May 1st.

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A marriage has been arranged, and will shortly take place, between Mr. Jack Clarke Robson, younger son of Mr. J. T. Robson, formerly General Manager of the Dublin *Daily Express* and *Evening Mail*, and now of Marlborough House, Ilkley, Yorks, and Miss Muriel Margaret Storey Leslie, only daughter of the late Rev. William Leslie, M.A., T.C.D., and Mrs. Robson.

One of the tableaux being arranged for the Nine Arts Ball on Friday will be "The Voyage of the Saoirse," in which the skipper of that brave little craft will take part if he reaches Dublin before May 1st from his voyage round the world.

A number of very smart Two-piece Suits in the newest shades of Repp and Cross-bar Suitings have just arrived at Switzer's Costume Gallery. Suitable for Punchestown. Prices from £5 19s. 6d.

Switzers offer to their customers and the public Stock to the value of £100,000, free of the newly-imposed taxes.

New Hats, Wraps, Silk Ottoman Coats, Showerproofs in Silk Satin and Crêpe de Chine, New Check and Plaid Overcoats, lovely combination effects—At Holmes', George's street.

Chancellor and Son, Photographers. New Electric Studio, 7 Grafton street, Dublin.

Madame Renée (now 51a Dawson street) has received special delivery for the Races of Two-piece Suits in Satin, Repp, Kasha, etc.; also many charming Hats.

Punchestown—Barnardos, of Grafton street, can fit you out in 15 minutes with Costumes and Furs at specially tempting cash prices.

Ladies' and Gent.'s Burberrys for the Races. Horton's, 105/106 Grafton street, Dublin.

New two-piece costume in faint rose silk repp with crossbar tucking at Slyne's, Ltd., 71 Grafton street.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Arrivals:—Thomas Noonan, Miss Eric Wilson, R. H. Johnston, J. Myers, Mrs. Myers, George D. Mansergh Beard, Miss E. F. Mansergh Beard, Miss Olive Traynor, John J. Kelly, J. McGowran, Bernard Kiston, P. Phelan, Dr. William Shortt, Lieutenant G. R. Deverell, R.N.; Dr. T. S. Quinn, Colonel Archibald Crainford, Miss Nora Dalton, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Lister, C. W. Robertson, Miss Bell, A. Lloyd Blood, A. M. Gibson, Miss Elizabeth Stoker, Mr. and Mrs. David Allen (junior), J. T. Molony, C. W. Rose, R. J. Grove-White, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Tracy, G. H. Davies, Captain F. A. Gill, Mrs. Macnamara.

Departures:—Mrs. Pike, Miss Pike, M. Bessell, Mr. and Mrs. Weedon, H. Hunt, Major Murray, M. Cullen, Miss M. Mannion, R. C. Wade, Miss K. Butler, Mrs. G. R. Rose, J. C. Butler, Miss Marie Eugene Douglas, Mrs. John McCann, Miss L. Bailey, Miss Tweedy, Mr., Mrs. and Miss Lloyd Evans, Miss Eileen M. Treacy, Dr. R. C. Nicholl, Miss Kathleen A. Mo

HINDENBURG'S ELECTION.

DIVERSE VIEWS ON RESULT.

STOCKS SLUMP IN NEW YORK.

FRENCH FEARS.

"GERMANY THROWS OFF THE MASK."

THE election of Field-Marshal von Hindenburg as President of the German Republic has had a mixed reception not only in foreign countries, but in Germany itself. The fear is expressed by the German Republicans that the danger does not lie in the person of the new President, but in the intrigues of the old General Staff.

American opinion is divided. The Press, on the whole, is inclined to regard the result as an endorsement of the policy of non-fulfilment of the Treaty. Public men, however, are not in agreement, as these two representative views show:—

MR. J. W. GERARD (United States Ambassador in Berlin during the war):—The election of Hindenburg is a menace to world peace. It is a flat declaration of the German people's return to militarism and Monarchism.

SENATOR BORAH (Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate):—I have no doubt that there will be a recrudescence of Nationalist feeling and spirit, but if directed on the right lines it will be helpful, and I feel it will be directed on the right lines. There will probably be a good deal of talk about Germany arming and getting ready for another war, but I do not believe that there will be anything of the kind. Germany is disarmed, and could not arm even if she wanted to, and I do not believe that she wants to.

But however that may be, the American financial markets opened in a generally unsettled state, and the German Government 7 per cent. bonds established a new low record of 92, while French francs lost 3¼.

EX-KAISER'S PLANS DISCUSSED.

ELECTION RESULT HEARD BY WIRELESS.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
THE HAGUE, Monday.

The chief interest displayed in the election of Hindenburg as President of Germany by Dutch circles, is centred in speculation as to the possible effect it will have on the stay in Holland of the ex-Kaiser.

Social and political circles here have endeavoured to get into telephonic communication with Doorn Castle this morning, but the castle is silent, no reply being given to any inquiry.

I understand that the ex-Kaiser followed the progress of the election last night by radio. He has a high powered set installed at his residence, on which he had to rely, as the telephone and telegraph service in Doorn closed at 2 p.m. yesterday, and private telegraph wires are not permitted.

Although *attaches* at the castle deny that the ex-Kaiser has passed any opinion upon the result of the election, reports state that he appeared unusually brisk and cheerful this morning when out for his usual morning stroll.

"THE MASK IS OFF."

FRENCH PRESS COMMENTS.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
PARIS, Monday.

Commenting on the election of Hindenburg, the *Temps* says:—"Germany has thrown off the mask. The election of Hindenburg proclaims to the world the breaking up of the Republic, and repudiation of the policy of agreement and treaties, and it constitutes a defiance of all forces of peace and concord."

The *Journal des Débats* says:—"Hindenburg is the faithful servant of the Kaiser. The Allies should be on their guard, and should adopt a concerted policy."

The *Intransigeant* says that the election has at least the merit of frankness, but what will Hindenburg's attitude be on the subject of security and disarmament?

The Paris *Soir* writes:—"Hindenburg's success was small enough, but we must be on our guard. It is regrettable that the Allies allowed the Kaiser to remain within a stone's throw of the German frontier, and the Crown Prince in Silesia."

"THE MEN BEHIND THE THRONE."

BERLIN FEARS OF GENERAL STAFF INTRIGUES.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
BERLIN, Monday.

Field-Marshal von Hindenburg's victory is the subject of leading articles in all the Berlin newspapers. The Nationalist organs, of course, write in jubilant strain, though there is a note of caution in their comments.

The Monarchist *Kreuz Zeitung* thinks that the Field-Marshal's victory will show the entire world that the majority of the German people are again finding their way back to self-consciousness, and that the first step has been taken to regain the respect of other nations.

The Nationalist *Deutsche Zeitung* believes a new time is now really beginning for Germany, and that Hindenburg will be a personification of the State that will gain the respect of other countries.

Herr Stresemann's organ, the *Zeit*, says that the statements made by the new President before the election show foreign countries that there is not the slightest danger of a Monarchist reaction, and that German foreign policy will not be altered. The paper regards his victory as the reaction of the German people to the manner in which Germany has been treated by foreign countries. Germany, it says, has for years manifested good-will in favour of an understanding, but the German people sees nothing of good-will on the part of the *Entente*.

The *Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* declares that nobody, least of all the new President, thinks of adopting a hostile attitude towards the Republic. The nation has shown that it is tired of taking orders as to its behaviour from foreign countries. The election result signifies an awakening, not only of old proud memories, but also a determination to lead Germany out of a condition of helotry.

The *Tageblatt*, the organ of the Democratic Party, says that danger does not lie in the person of Field-Marshal Hindenburg, but in the intrigues of his *entourage*, and if he puts up with these advisers, then conflict threatens each step of his path. The paper draws attention to the irony of the fact that "the paladin of William the Second will now have to take the oath to the Republican Constitution, before a Social Democratic President of the Reichstag, and under the Republican flag."

The *Vossische Zeitung*, which represents the Right wing of the Democratic Party, also warns against possible machinations on the part of "the General Staff Camarilla," behind Hindenburg's back, and expresses the hope that the President will only listen to his constitutional advisers.

Similar fears that the new President will be in the hands of a Camarilla are entertained by the Socialist *Vorwaerts*. This paper declares:—"The Republic is now passing through her MacMahon period. Just as fifty years ago in France, so now in Germany, a Marshal and Monarchist appears as President of the Republic after a lost war. The French Republic, happily, got over this danger zone, and it will be the task of German Republicans to lead the German Republic out of the danger zone just as successfully."

WHAT AMERICA THINKS.

OFFICIAL CIRCLES NOT EXCITED.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
WASHINGTON, Monday.

Official Washington declines to get excited by the election of Field-Marshal von Hindenburg as President of the German Republic.

Opinions vary, but the general view is that his election does not necessarily represent the reactionary movement, and may not retard Germany's economic recovery or carry the Republic towards militarism.

The hope in official circles here is that the new Government may strengthen Germany by stabilising German finances and meeting the reparations payments. There is no fear here that the Dawes plan will be thrown overboard or affected by Hindenburg's success, and comment varies as to the probable effect on private loans to German concerns by foreign bankers.

Mr. Hamilton Fish, a leading member of the United States Foreign Affairs Committee, and a prominent banker, asserts—

"I am sure, so far as the American Government's attitude is concerned, and that of American bankers also, that Hindenburg's election will not make one iota of difference."

Senator Borah, Chairman of the Foreign Relations Committee, states:—

"I do not think Hindenburg's election need be considered disturbing. There will be much talk about Germany arming, and getting ready for another war. But I do not believe in anything of the kind. Germany is disarmed, and could not arm if she wanted to. I expect to see a strong, proud effort on the part of Germany to retain her national integrity, both economically and territorially, and I hope she may do so.

"It is to the interest of Europe and the world that she should do so. I think the outside world would be better to go forward on the theory that the German people had the right to elect any man they wanted, and until the facts appear otherwise that they will accommodate their energies to right principles and policy."

Senator Swanson, one of the Democratic leaders, declares that Hindenburg's election as President puts Germany under suspicion, but he expresses the hope that Germany will not become a new military nation.

"I regard European affairs with the election of Hindenburg as uncertain, and possibly threatening. Only the administration of Hindenburg himself can obviate suspicion by pursuing a course that will promptly remove this apprehension," he added.

AMERICAN PRESS VIEWS.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
NEW YORK, Monday.

The *New York Times* says:—The British Government will feel that the difficulties in finding a formula of assured peace are doubled, and French prejudice against Germany will be stiffened. It will not be necessary for American bankers to give Germany notice. No German loans can now be floated here. There will be a tightening of the purse strings until it is seen what happens in Germany. It is needless, and it would be unfair and unmanly, to indulge in extreme fears. No Hohenzollern will soon ascend the throne, as the powers of the President of Germany are closely limited, and he cannot easily make himself a cover behind which the ex-Kaiser can sneak back.

The New York Herald and Tribune says that the election is the endorsement of the policy of non-fulfilment of the Treaty, and representing the welling-up of resentment and rancour against defeat and its consequences. The outside world, the paper says, will draw its own conclusions as to German intentions and as to the change in the European situation, resulting from the Monarchist victory. Germany again turns towards defiance, obstruction and isolation, politically and economically, and it will react most against herself. Germany has at least disclosed her inner thoughts, and put the Powers who framed the Versailles Treaty and the rest of the world on their guard.

DYING MAN'S FUNERAL POEM.

DICTATED TO HIS WIFE.

HALIFAX (NOVA SCOTIA), Monday.

Emerson Palmer, a United States citizen who has just died at sea aboard the French liner, Le Ourdennais, dictated a poem to his wife as he lay dying, and requested that it should be read at his burial, which is to take place after the vessel's departure from Halifax.—(Reuter.)

THE AMERICAN DEBT.

SIR DRUMMOND FRASER'S SUGGESTION.

Speaking at Eastbourne yesterday, Sir D. Drummond Fraser, Vice-President of the Institute of Bankers, advocated the payment of the American debt repayments from the proceeds of Savings Certificates.

The debt costs the equivalent of ninepence in the pound income tax, he said. Of this, threepence was paid by German indemnities, and until the settlement of inter-Allied debts, the British taxpayer had to find the other sixpence. If the war was paid from Savings Certificates, the lenders would get a good rate of interest, free of tax, five years hence, and the income tax could be lowered sixpence, which, with the shilling off which he would give if he were Chancellor, would reduce the income tax to three shillings.

Sir Drummond also urged drastic cuts in Civil Service expenditure.

SHOT IN A TAXI-CAB.

LONDON MYSTERY SOLVED

The mystery of the identity of the man who was found shot dead in a taxicab outside the Caledonian Hotel, London, on Sunday night was solved yesterday. He was definitely identified as Mr. Frank Noel Montagu Newton, who had served in the Indian Army during the war. Since his retirement Captain Newton, as he called himself, has been engaged in engineering, and he paid frequent visits to South America. It was the striking similarity between the names which at first led the police to confuse the dead man with the Montagu Noel Newton who appeared as a witness in the "Mr. A" case.

The dead man, who was about 50 years old, but looked younger, arrived in England only on April 19th, and engaged rooms at the Caledonian Hotel. Some of his time was spent at St. Stephen's Club, Westminster, of which he had been a foreign member for nearly ten years. At the hotel he signed the register in the name of F. Noel Montagu Newton, but gave no private address. He had complained recently of headaches, caused by this inhospitable climate.

Mr. E. T. Olley, of 99 Kilburn Park road, the driver of the taxicab, said that he picked up Captain Newton at the St. Stephen's Club, and was instructed to drive to the Caledonian Hotel. When passing the Hotel Metropole he heard a crack like someone knocking at the window with a cane, but he did not think that anything was wrong until he opened the door with the hotel porter and saw the fare huddled up and a revolver lying on the floor.

FAMOUS DUTCH ACTOR DYING.

The famous Dutch actor, Louis Bouwmeester, who recently underwent an operation, is reported to be dying, says a Reuter Amsterdam message.

Prince George's departure for Chinese waters is definitely fixed for to-morrow morning.

DIVORCE IN THE SENATE.

DEBATE THIS WEEK.

NEW UPPER CHAMBER IN R.D.S. LIBRARY.

FROM OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

The Free State Senate, which reassembles after the Easter holidays on Thursday, will discuss the divorce question.

About three months ago the Dail, without a division, passed President Cosgrave's motion asking the Joint Committee on Standing Orders to suggest measures which would prevent the introduction of Bills of Divorce *a vinculo matrimonii*.

A message was sent to the Senate requesting its concurrence, but when the motion came up in the Senate it was ruled out of order by the Chairman, who maintained that it was a direct violation of the Constitution, and that legislation was the only means by which the presentation of bills *a vinculo matrimonii* could be prevented.

A motion challenging Lord Glenavy's ruling was subsequently tabled by Senator Westropp Bennett, and this, as altered, will be debated when the House meets on Thursday, in conjunction with the report of the Joint Committee on Standing Orders (Private Business).

Senator Bennett's motion asks the House, in effect, to say that, the Chairman in future shall not be asked or required to rule whether any motion or bill is an infringement of the Constitution, and that the Joint Committee shall frame such alterations in or amendments to the Standing Orders as will give effect to this resolution. The debate, which promises to be one of exceptional interest, is bound to occupy at least the whole of an evening's sitting.

The Senate will meet, not in the Museum, but in what was formerly the Library of the Royal Dublin Society, and the two Chambers will now be housed in that same building.

The new Senate chamber, in appearance, differs but slightly from the old one, except that the Senators will be pronged on either side of the Chairman's *dias*. The long plush-covered benches or forms, are being replaced by upholstered tip-up seats, of the same pattern as those lately installed in the Dail.

There will be two galleries for visitors, one of these being for the accommodation of "distinguished strangers."

IN THE DAIL TO-DAY.

The Dail will meet at 3 o'clock to-day. The principal business on the Order Paper is the consideration of the Committee stage of the Land Bond Bill, the report stage of the Local Authorities (Combined Purchasing) Bill, the second stage of the Fisheries Bill and the Industrial and Commercial Property (Protection) Bill.

THE SUGAR DUTY.

RESULT OF DELAY IN MAKING REDUCTION EFFECTIVE.

The decision of the Minister for Finance not to bring the remission of the sugar duty into operation until the 6th May is having a serious effect on the confectionery trade, which may be said to be in a state of suspended animation. Prospective buyers will not put through orders, as they naturally want to get the reduction, which represents 16s. 4d. in the cwt. on sugar.

Messrs. Williams and Woods, Limited, stated yesterday that recent orders are marked, "to wait the operation of the reduced duty." The result, they say, is that they have been obliged to close down temporarily. Later on, when the reduction takes place, there will be unavoidable delay in the fulfilment of orders.

BEQUEST TO MURDERER.

LEGACY OF £50 FROM VICTIM.

Fermanagh County Court yesterday admitted to probate the will of John McConnell, who was murdered at his home on Innishmore Island, Lough Erne. The testator bequeaths £50 to Patrick Murphy, who was found guilty of the murder of McConnell and sentenced to death.

BOUNDARY COMMISSION.

ANOTHER SITTING IN FERMANAGH.

The Irish Boundary Commission continued its sittings at Killyhevlin, Enniskillen, on Monday. The following report was issued by the Commission yesterday evening:—

At to-day's sitting of the Irish Boundary Commission witnesses were heard on behalf of the Fermanagh County Council in opposition to claims made for the inclusion of any portion of County Fermanagh in the Irish Free State.

B.B.C. PROGRAMMES.

PROPOSED FREE STATE CONTRIBUTION.

The current issue of the *Radio Times*, the official organ of the British Broadcasting Company, contains the following:—

During the past twelve months thousands of people in the Irish Free State have listened nightly to the programmes given by the B.B.C., but have not in any way contributed towards the expenses of providing them.

Irish listeners have to pay a tax of £1 per annum for being allowed to use a receiving set, but the B.B.C. do not receive a portion of this sum, as in the case of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. There has been for a long time a feeling amongst listeners in the Free State that it is hardly fair to make use of the facilities provided by the B.B.C. without contributing to the cost.

With the object of showing some appreciation of the work of the B.B.C., it has been suggested that listeners from the Irish Free State should provide, at their own expense, one complete night's entertainment from the High-Power Station (at Chelmsford), the night to be an "Irish Night," with artists from Ireland. The cost of this would not be very heavy, and at the outside would not exceed £100, a sum that can easily be raised by Free State radio enthusiasts. A committee is being formed and artists secured, so that, in the event of the project being supported, an early date could be arranged for the programme.

Any listeners in the Irish Free State who wish to contribute towards this should communicate with Mr. S. T. Robinson, 33 and 34 South King street, Dublin, stating the amount they are willing to subscribe to this entertainment. In the event of the total amount promised being in excess of requirements, only the *pro rata* amount will be asked for from those promised.

CARPENTIER TO RETIRE?

LEAVING THE RING FOR THE FOOTLIGHTS.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
PARIS, Monday.

Georges Carpentier expects to go on the stage as a dancer. It is rumoured that he has practically decided to retire from the Ring, and he is now taking dancing lessons from Harry Pilcer, the exhibition dancer and *revue* entertainer.

PREMIER VISITS THE KING.

The Prime Minister visited His Majesty at Buckingham Palace last evening, in accordance with practice, which is usual when the Sovereign has been away for any considerable time. The Premier was engaged with His Majesty for half an hour.

Two men were fatally gassed at Tumble Colliery, Llanelly, yesterday. Morgan Daniel, a German, was overcome while making an examination, and William Howells went to his rescue without a gas mask and met a similar fate.

LORD BALFOUR IN THE CABINET.

LORD PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL.

BUDGET TO-DAY.

WHISKEY EXPORT DUTY EXPECTED.

Lord Balfour has joined the Cabinet, and the King, at the next convenient Council, will declare the Earl of Balfour Lord President of His Majesty's Most Honourable Privy Council, in succession to the late Lord Curzon. The Marquis of Salisbury, K.G., will be the leader of the House of Lords.

THE entry of the Earl of Balfour into the Cabinet adds a touch of romance to Budget day.

Mr. Churchill's Budget secrets are preserved till this afternoon, but general anticipation is that these will be features of the Churchill Budget:—

Partial return to the gold standard.
Conversion Loan foreshadowed.
Funding of war pensions.
Imperial preference reduction of duties, which the Labour Government refused to effect.
One shilling off income tax.
Export duty on whiskey.

The announcement that the only living ex-Premier of the Conservative Party has joined the Government is hailed with the greatest pleasure, says the Central News Lobby Correspondent.

The arrangement is a happy one. Mr. Baldwin is congratulated on securing Lord Balfour, who, although within a few months of his seventy-seventh birthday, is intellectually and physically vigorous to a wonderful degree.

The Ministry is strengthened by the addition of one of the most famous of world statesmen, whose judgment, especially on foreign and American affairs, is exceptionally well-informed.

A piquant recollection is that it was the present Chancellor of the Exchequer, who, when Tariff Reform was at stake, defected Mr. Balfour in sensational fashion in North-West Manchester.

Lord Balfour has been a friend both of Mr. Winston Churchill and his father. He and Lord Randolph Churchill were associated in the celebrated Conservative group—the fourth party—the other members of which were Sir John Gorst and Sir Henry Drummond Wolff.

Last autumn Lord Balfour presided at the Edinburgh meeting which gave Mr. Churchill a Conservative platform from which to pave his way to entering the Conservative Party.

TWO ANTICIPATIONS.

A special meeting of the Cabinet was held yesterday morning, when Mr. Churchill communicated his final plans to Ministers for the first time, and they were approved. All the members of the Cabinet were present except Mr. Amery, Sir Samuel Hoare and Lord Peel.

The secret of the Budget proposals has been so well kept that few politicians outside the Cabinet have any definite idea of what Mr. Churchill will announce this afternoon (says *The Times* Correspondent). The only two points on which there is general agreement is that there will be some reduction in the income tax and that Mr. Churchill will announce the early introduction of a Bill to remove the embargo on the free importation of gold.

SIX HARROW BOYS EXPELLED.

RESULT OF A NIGHT ESCAPADE.

The spirit of adventure which urged seven Harrow schoolboys to climb out of their dormitory windows at the dead of night, motor to London, and dance for a gay hour at a night club, has had unhappy results. Six of them have been expelled, and the seventh has left voluntarily.

"I doubt whether any of the other great public schools will take them now," a prominent educational authority said yesterday. "There is a cloud over their names, and schools such as Eton would not welcome them. It is the kind of thing which takes a lot of living down. I have known boys who have been ruined by expulsion."

The catastrophe is all the graver as three boys found by the police when they raided the "43 Club" were among the most prominent in the school. They were heads of their houses. One of them was a brilliant scholar as well as a promising athlete. They were, naturally, allowed more freedom than the other boys, and took advantage of it. One had a motor-cycle garaged outside the school. The others hired a motor-car, on which they were to return before dawn. But for the police raid their night escapade would probably never have been discovered.

SCOTTISH FARM FIRE.

VALUABLE CATTLE BURNED TO DEATH.

Fire has devastated the byre and outbuildings at the home farm of Cluny Castle, Aberdeenshire, belonging to Lady Cathcart. Straw in a shed became ignited by sparks, and the flames spread so quickly that in fifteen minutes the entire block of byres and bull boxes was destroyed. A number of cattle were saved, but a Broadhooks shorthorn cow, a heifer, six pedigree shorthorn bull calves, and four crossbred cows were trapped in the building and burned to death. The Broadhooks cow was of great value. Her calves at recent sales averaged £1,200 each.

THE LAWN TENNIS SUSPENSIONS.

INDIA PLAYERS ACCEPT L.T.A. RULING.

Mr. S. M. Jacob and Dr. A. H. Fyzee, the two India International lawn tennis players who were suspended last Monday, yesterday gave the English L.T.A. the required undertaking to deposit their proportion of the Paris team's expenses.

This action was taken through Mr. B. W. Vane Percy, manager of the India Davis Cup team, in compliance with the cabled instructions from the Indian Association.

While giving the necessary authority to make the deposit, the Indian Association has questioned the methods adopted in suspending their players, especially in view of the fact that they were members of the India Davis Cup team which will have to play Belgium early next month in the first round of the International competition.

FASCISTS AND FREEMASONRY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
ROME, Monday.

The Grand Master of Italian Freemasonry has issued a circularised protest against the Fascist Government's Anti-Secret Society Bill, which aims to kill Freemasonry in Italy. The bill, which is now before the Chamber of Deputies, proposes to abolish all secret societies without specifying Masonry, but aims almost entirely at that organisation. The Grand Master's protest declares that material violence has been committed methodically with impunity against Masonic headquarters and members, for which he blames the party now in power.

M. de Fleurian, the French Ambassador to Great Britain, returned to London yesterday.

DUBLIN SEASON OPENS.

PUNCHESTOWN TO-DAY

POPULAR RESORT FOR LOVERS OF SPORT.

Wind variable, becoming N.E.; fresh locally; then moderate to light; rain at first, fair later. Visibility moderate to good; rather cold.

TO-DAY is the first of Punchestown's two days—the two days of the Kildare Hunt meeting, which mean so much that the name of the meeting has been spread over the week in which they occur, and people talk of Punchestown Week.

Two points of prophecy may be made with little risk about this year's Punchestown. First, there will be more motor cars than ever, though train to Naas and jaunting-car thence will be the mode of many. Next, fox furs will not be worn. Punchestown belongs to hunting, and hunting in Ireland is threatened by the destruction of foxes, which has been carried on for the sake of traffic in the skins. The traffic is partly with cross-Channel dealers, and it is difficult to exert control. The evil will be lessened, however, if ladies—most of whom will appreciate as much as their menfolk the economy as well as the sporting value of hunting in Ireland—refuse to wear fox furs, or at least require from the furrier a guarantee that no native skins have been used.

THE KILDARE HUNT.

It is not easy to say how the Punchestown meeting came to have its great attraction for the people of The Pale. It is a fashionable resort, but not only that; for its fashionableness is a quality that came in the train, so to speak, of the sporting keenness of the Kildare Hunt and the spirit of the members to do a thing well when they did it at all. It is a popular resort, and that not only in the common way of popularity, but as standing for something that appeals to the love of sport, and of congregation, in the people of the hunting counties—Kildare and its neighbours. The cavalry regiments at Dublin and the Curragh in years gone by gave the Punchestown meeting special support, and helped a great deal to give the meeting its peculiar character. Their going, and changes connected therewith, made some difference to hunting circles, but the sport-loving element in the district soon got over checks.

THE PUNCHESTOWN SPIRIT.

Most of the Hunts have had a good season, on the whole, and within themselves, as well as in relations with their "countries," there has lately been felt more of the spirit of old times. Some sighs, no doubt, will be drawn for aspects of social events (such as Punchestown) that will be seen no more; but, on the whole, a recovery has been made to cheerfulness and hope for good sporting days to come.

Such, at any rate, is the spirit that seems to be in the air at the approach to the opening of Punchestown this year; and Dublin has taken from it some stirrings which, at least, suggest the former liveliness of the capital in Punchestown Week. Leopardstown and Phœnix Park will have racing on later days in the week, and with those meetings as supports to Punchestown, there is a programme that has brought visitors to Dublin and made Dubliners plan their days with an eye to enjoyment. Ingenious providers of entertainment in various forms have seized the opportunities given them by that joy-bent, and have filled in the spaces of the week's programme.

The opening day of Punchestown will serve better than most other days to mark the opening of Dublin's season as a pleasure resort. In the next few months, the city will have many visitors. After Punchestown Week, there is only the gap of a week till the Spring Show foregathering; and after that the tourists will be coming noticeably, if the new efforts of the railway and steamship companies and the reconstructed Tourist Association succeed as hoped.

RUSSIAN BIBLES AUCTION

POSSESSION A MYSTERY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
RIGA, Monday.

The Atheist Soviet Government has just closed a remarkable business transaction in Moscow by selling a huge quantity of Russian Bibles to a high dignitary of the American Methodist Episcopal Church. The Bibles were sold at public auction.

How the Soviet Government became possessed of the Bibles is somewhat of a mystery. The circumstances are being investigated by Mr. W. J. Wiseman, representative of the British and Foreign Bible Society in the Baltic States. Mr. Wiseman reports that several large shipments of Bibles to Russia in recent years have been confiscated by the Bolsheviks, who have also confiscated Sunday school supplies sent to Russia from America.

It is alleged that the Bibles recently sold at auction by the Soviet Government were part of the confiscated property belonging to the British and Foreign Bible Society.

DESTOYED DEER.

OUTRAGE IN COUNTY CORK.

At Cork yesterday the Minister for Finance appealed against the decree awarded to Lord Castletown and others in respect of the destruction of deer at Court demesne, Doneraile, on the 17th December, 1922.

It was stated that twenty-five or thirty men entered the demesne and drove a herd of seventeen deer over a wall. Two red deer were killed, and the fallow deer never came back.

Mr. Commissioner Doyle, K.C., affirmed the decree, but reduced it from £90 to £77.

POLICE CONFERENCE.

GENERAL O'DUFFY TO GO TO NEW YORK.

Following an invitation from the Government of the United States to the Free State Government, General O'Duffy, with Assistant Commissioner Walsh, will represent the Civic Guard at the International Police Conference which opens in New York City on 12th May. They will sail from Queenstown on Sunday next.

SHOTS THROUGH A WINDOW.

LAND STEWARD'S ESCAPE.

A telegram from Ballinasloe states that a man named John Wallis has been arrested on a charge of firing at John Forde, a steward on the estate of Lord Lascelles, at Portumna.

It is stated that Mr. Forde was reading in his house when a shot was fired through the window, and he was slightly wounded. A second shot broke the lamp on the table, throwing the room into darkness, and the attackers went off, firing shots as they went.

When questioned by the police, Wallis said that he had nothing to do with the outrage.

KRUPPS TO BUILD GUNS IN SPAIN.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
MADRID, Monday.

Krupps, of Essen, have completed negotiations for the purchase of the famous mines and factories at Mieres, Spain, capitalised at forty million pesetas. Representatives of the Krupp firm and a number of German engineers have already arrived at Mieres and are commencing the organisation of the factories.

LATE NEWS.

THE HINDENBURG VICTORY.

VIEWS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES.

The news of Field-Marshal von Hindenburg's election to the German Presidency has, on the whole, been received very unfavourably in foreign countries, says *The Times*. In France it has been more of a shock than might have been expected. It is considered that M. Briand's task will be rendered far more difficult, and in some quarters the prospects of the proposed four-Power security pact are judged now to be hopeless. In Opposition circles his election is held to prove that there is no "New Germany," and the *Temps* argues that the policy of reconciliation has met with an immense moral defeat. In other quarters it is recognised that a majority of the electors did not vote for Hindenburg.

In the United States a gloomy view is taken. Hindenburg is accepted as typifying the tendency towards other than peaceful means of altering the *status quo*, and fear is expressed that evasion of the obligations of the Dawes plan may ensue. In New York business circles the power of German industry to borrow money in America is held to have been diminished, though it is recognised that, in fact, fundamental conditions will probably not be changed as a result of the election. Mr. J. W. Gerard, however, formerly American Ambassador in Germany, declared that Hindenburg's Presidency was a "menace to the peace of the world" and a "flat declaration by the German people of a return to Militarism and Monarchism." Colonel House, former confidential adviser of President Wilson, said that the German people had made a mistake.

In Italy it is recognised that the victory was gained for the Nationalists by the personal *prestige* of the old Marshal, but, nevertheless, it was an ill-fated day for the forces of order, democracy and European pacification.

In Rumania the news has been received with dissatisfaction and anxiety. Stupefaction is shown in Belgium. A moderate organ writes: "We have gone back eleven years." A bad impression has been created in Holland. The Austrian Press expresses surprise, misgivings and disappointment at the triumph of Hindenburg.

In British circles the view is held that the personality of the Field-Marshal is not in itself a danger to European peace, but some anxiety is felt as to the counsellors who will exercise most influence with him, and as to the reaction of his election upon French public opinion.

ANOTHER SOFIA MURDER

SUSPECT SHOOTS WOULD-BE CAPTOR.

SOFIA, Monday.

The Mayor and Secretary of the commune of Boyans, one of the suburbs of the capital, to-day attempted to arrest a suspicious person. The man, however, fired on them, killing the Secretary and wounding another person. He succeeded in making his escape, and so far efforts to trace the fugitive have been unsuccessful. He left behind him in his flight a bomb in a bag.

During the last few days the Commission investigating the charges against persons arrested on suspicion has released about 600 persons. Apart from the incident at Boyans, there have been no further developments either in the capital or in the provinces.—(Reuter.)

AN UNTOWARD EVENT.

The election of Hindenburg is undoubtedly a very untoward event from the point of view of European opinion. But it is not an unnatural one, remarks the *Westminster Gazette*, and need not be a disaster if the other Governments will keep their heads and refrain from playing into the hands of the German Monarchists. We see no reason as yet to yield to pessimism. There is no intrinsic reason why his election should affect the policy of German Governments, and it is pretty certain that he would not have been elected if he had not declared his fidelity to the Constitution and promised to pursue a quiet and unadventurous policy of reconstruction.

THE SPLENDID SHILLING.

The *Daily Express* says:—What is required of Mr. Churchill is that he shall produce a Budget which shall have the greatest possible creative effect on the purchasing power of the public. This point requires that a reduction of one shilling should be made in the income tax. More than a shilling may be impossible; less than a shilling will not produce the required effect. Let Mr. Churchill give British industry what it want:—the splendid shilling.

MAY DAY IN RUSSIA.

MOSCOW'S PROGRAMME.

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.
RIGA, Monday.

Moscow is making greater preparations than usual for May Day celebrations in the hope of smothering the workmen's and peasants' discontent by a three days' programme of meetings and free theatrical performances.

The Soviet Trade Unions international wants to exploit these to demonstrate the unity of Moscow's Communists with other Socialist workers in all lands. It is evident that Moscow wants mechanically to cement the Communists with other Socialist parties, because the proclamation instructs the Communists in all manifestations to join the Socialist workers, even if the latter belong to the Amsterdam International. The same proclamation, while invoking the Communists of the world to use May 1 to promote the united front, points out the fact that the visit of the British Trade Union delegation and the subsequent London negotiations formed the solid basis of such unity.

DANISH STRIKE CONTINUES.

SOCIALIST CABINET IN DANGER.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
COPENHAGEN, Monday.

Developments arising from the Danish labour conflict, in which over 200,000 workers have been on strike now for several weeks, are apparently tending towards a grave political crisis.

Supporters of the Socialistic Cabinet are openly charging that the industrial leaders and employers are purposely fomenting the lock-out in order to provoke a situation which may eventually bring danger to the Cabinet.

Many of the Labour leaders, however, are alarmed, and fear that the situation may result in a test of strength, which will be the death blow to the Socialist Government. There is no indication of the Labour trouble ending, and leaders declared to-day that the conflict may last many months.

FAMINE GROWS IN UKRAINE.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
RIGA, Monday.

In addition to poor crops reports from many of the important Russian grain districts, Friday's Moscow *Isvestia* publishes a report from its Harkov Correspondent that forty million desiatines less grain have been sown this year than last.

The total area sown in 1924 was a hundred and fourteen million desiatines, according to compiled reports of the entire Ukraine. Only seventy four million desiatines were sown in 1925. Famine in the Ukraine is spreading to neighbouring districts.

MADAME ZOLA DEAD.

The death is announced in Paris, at the age of 85, of Madame Zola, the widow of the late Emile Zola, the novelist.

THE BOTTLE TAX

MERCHANTS' STRONG PROTEST.

INCREASING COST OF LIVING.

DEMAND CANNOT BE MET.

A strong protest against the duty of 33⅓ per cent. on imported bottles was made yesterday at a meeting in Jury's Hotel, Dublin, of traders, merchants and manufacturers.

A deputation was appointed to wait on the Minister for Finance and to place before him the meeting's views. It was stated that manufacturers in the Free State could not even meet the demand for black bottles, and that the tax on other bottles would have a serious effect on trade and the cost of living. Some of the speakers suggested that, far from protecting Irish manufactures, the duty would protect English manufactures.

UNSATISFIED DEMAND.

NOT EVEN BLACK BOTTLES CAN BE SUPPLIED.

Mr. C. J. Hyder (Messrs. W. and A. Gilbey), who occupied the chair, said the new tax deeply affected traders in all departments, particularly those who used white glass bottles. The Dublin bottle manufacturers had not been able to meet even the demand for black bottles during the past six months.

Mr. Michael F. O'Brien (Messrs. O'Brien, mineral water manufacturers, Henry place), said that the time had not arrived when bottles suitable for the mineral water trade could be produced in the Free State. It was not in any sense of antipathy to Irish manufacture that he wished to protest against the tax. Although the bottle manufacturers of the Free State had had 33⅓ per cent. tariff on certain bottles in operation for a year they had not responded to the call. The requirements of the trade had not been fully met, and, so far as they had been met, the supply had been a failure. The bottles had not been perfectly moulded and were inaccurate. The large wine bottles were also a failure.

The effect of the tax would be to drive the trade eventually into the hands of the big men, monopolies and "trusts." His view was that the time was not yet ripe for such a tax, for the very good reason that the supply was not there to meet the demand.

INCREASED OVERHEAD CHARGES.

Mr. Mcadoo (Cork Mineral Water Manufacturers) said that, with such firms as Schweppes flooding the country with their goods, the imposition of the duty on imported empty bottles would mean a serious increase in overhead charges for his firm. The Government, if it was anxious to help the bottle-making trade, should have given a subsidy to those factories until they would be in a position to compete with foreign makers, thus taxing the whole country instead of a section.

Mr. McClelland (Messrs. Keith) said that already the market was flooded with mineral water substitutes imported duty free from England and Scotland, and the new tax was going to impose a burden on the home mineral water makers that they could not bear. He did not see how the Irish bottle manufacturers could possibly hope, within any reasonable period, to meet the demand. The tax was the most serious blow the trade had got for a long time.

Mr. McGorish (Dundalk) said the tax of 33⅓ per cent. on empty bottles would be a killing blow to their trade.

A HOPEFUL VIEW.

Mr. Hewitt (Messrs. Thwaites and Co.), Secretary of the Mineral Water Manufacturers' Association, said that they were taking the wrong end of the stick. The bottles made by the Irish manufacturers were, so far, satisfactory and up to standard. A Dublin bottle manufacturer had given him an undertaking that by the middle of June the members of their Association could have all the bottles they required. He thought that, given a fair chance, the Irish glass bottle-making companies would in two months be in a position to meet the requirements for ordinary glass bottles.

Mr. Lamb (Messrs. Lamb Bros., jam manufacturers), said that it was a pity that Mr. Blythe gave them something with one hand, and took it away with the other. He could only conclude that the Minister had had a dream that he might have factories here at some time to come. His firm, meantime, would have to pay £5,000 a year as the result of the new tax. If they had to pay the tax they should see that the English manufacturers would have to pay it also on the full bottles which they sent to the Free State.

Sir Thomas Robinson (Hayes, Conyngham and Robinson, chemists), said that in his trade they required over 200 different kinds, shapes and sizes of bottles, none of which could be manufactured in the Free State. A tax of 33 1-3 per cent. simply meant increasing the cost of living for the unfortunate sick people. He was not going to be a benefactor at the instance of Mr. Blythe, and was simply going to pass the tax on; it would be added to the price to the purchaser. But what could they do? They must be a little bit patriotic and see some of Mr. Blythe's standpoint.

MONEY FROM FARMERS.

The Minister's difficulty was to get money, and many of them thought he should have taken steps to get money out of agriculture—the well-known source of Ireland's wealth. He thought that the only reasonable case that they could put before Mr. Blythe was that they could not get the bottles or jars manufactured in the Free State, but that during the next year, or within some stated period, the traders would get together and see what could be done in that direction, always remembering that the raw materials required for that industry—coal and sand—had to be imported.

So far as he could see it, the present policy of the Government was to drive up the cost of living, and if the new tax were imposed they would all be properly "spancelled."

Mr. Smulan (Solvaye Freres) said that his business was the preparation of toilet requisites, which he made up and packed in imported bottles and jars. He employed 18 to 25 people, and if the tax were imposed he would have to go out of business.

Mr. Mauli (Messrs. De Vaux) said that his firm would have to pay the tax for the privil

in addition to the savage duty they were paying already on whiskey.

He believed that the cause of the new import was that the Minister had been ill-advised by his permanent officials, who were only a short time in the saddle and could not advise what would hit or help Irish industries. What was the use of trying to establish one industry where it would mean knocking out another already established and employing more workers?

There was no hope of getting the white flint bottles required by the distillers made in the Free State during the next ten years. To his mind, the new duty was the most unfair tax that had ever been put upon a trade. There was no justification for it, and it simply meant wiping out a certain proportion of their trade to help their competitors.

THE COST.

The chairman said that it would take £80,000 to put up a separate furnace and tank for the manufacture of white glass bottles. Whoever had told the Minister that white flint bottles could be manufactured in the Free State in a month or two had made a very great mistake. His firm was unable to get more than 360 gross of their bottles made by the Irish factories last year, and was compelled to get them from outside. The tax would mean that for white flint bottles alone his firm would have to pay an extra £2,700 a year, for which there was no justification.

The whole thing would mean that they would have to pay a shilling a dozen on the 200,000 dozen bottles they needed. It was very hard to expect them to pay 33 1-3 per cent. on bottles which they could not by any possible chance get made in the country.

He suggested that instead of rushing this thing by compelling traders to pay duty, the Minister should give a time limit for the Irish manufacturers to set up factories.

Mr. Griffiths (Dundalk) said that during the last year their manufactures in the border counties had decreased by half, and they regarded the new tax as legalised bootlegging which would put them in Dundalk out of the trade.

Mr. Martin O'Byrne, Secretary of the Licensed Vintners' Association, said that his Association was against the unfair impost, and would support any action taken.

Mr. Hughes (Bottled Milk Business) said the tax would inflict a great hardship on his business and on other people who were about to start on similar lines.

"AN ALARMING SITUATION."

Mr. Darrell Figgis, T.D., said what impressed him most was that this tax, which was intended to be protective, would actually be protection for the English manufacturer. It raised an alarming situation which the Ministry and the Dail would have to consider very carefully.

Mr. P. S. Doyle, T.D., who also spoke, promised to do what he could to ventilate the grievances mentioned.

A deputation representing all sections of the trade was appointed to wait upon the Minister for Finance.

SUSSEX CHILD MURDER.

YOUTH ARRESTED.

George Jeffrey, a garden boy employed on the Eridge estate, and living with his parents at Eridge Green Lodge, was yesterday evening arrested upon a charge of murdering Joan Annett, a little girl, aged ten, on Friday last.

The arrest, it is believed, followed upon the discovery yesterday of bloodstained clothing and a knife. Scotland Yard authorities were immediately acquainted with these facts, and Chief Constable Wensley motored from London to Eridge Green. After a short consultation the boy was interrogated and taken to Crowborough Police Station, to be charged by Chief Inspector Nicholls with the wilful murder of the girl. He will appear at Crowborough Police Station this afternoon, when the proceedings will be formal.

The inquest will open to-morrow afternoon.

A ST. ALBANS OUTRAGE.

WOMAN ATTACKED BY MASKED MAN.

Scotland Yard last night issued a description of a man, of about thirty years of age, who is wanted for assaulting Mrs. Gladys Maud Doig, wife of a bank clerk, at St. Albans, yesterday morning.

A man was seen hanging about the vicinity of Mr. Doig's house, the only occupants of which were Mrs. Doig and her 14-months-old son. With the child in her arms, Mrs. Doig went to answer a knock at the front door, and, finding no one there, was returning to the kitchen when she was attacked by a man, who apparently entered through the back door. With a cudgel, broken from a tree, he rained blows on the woman's head until she fell unconscious. Then, apparently, he visited the upper rooms, but neither jewellery nor money was touched.

A doctor had to put stitches in one of the wounds on Mrs. Doig's head.

The man, who had a handkerchief tied around the lower part of his face, got away unseen.

ABUSE OF THE DOLE.

APOLOGY FOR A SPEECH DEMANDED.

A deputation of Northampton unemployed yesterday waited upon Mr. J. Marlow, President of the Boot Manufacturers' Association, and asked him to apologise for the speech in which he spoke of the dole, and said: "There appeared to be a growing up a class of young men and women who apparently did not want work, and it was unfair that the people who would work should be called upon to keep them."

Mr. Marlow emphatically refused to apologise, and said that he stood by every word of his speech. He spoke not of the giving of the dole, but of its abuse. He gave the deputation cases in his experience where men had declined or left work because they would obtain practically as much by doing nothing as they could by working.

DEATH AT A CONFERENCE.

Just after being appointed President of the Scottish Federation of Master Plumbers and Domestic Engineers' Employers' Associations at Edinburgh yesterday, Mr. John K. Paterson had a heart attack and died almost immediately. He was aged seventy.

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TOURIST TRAFFIC.

ORGANISING AMERICAN PARTIES.

Everything points to this being a record-breaking year for American tourist traffic to Ireland, said Mr. George Harris, of the White Star Line, when he landed at Queenstown from the Adriatic on Sunday morning after a six weeks' tour of the United States.

Mr. Harris went to America on behalf of the Irish Tourist Development Association. In all the large cities and towns that he visited special tours to Ireland are being arranged. The Hon. Peter E. Sullivan, four times Mayor of Worcester, Mass., and one of the biggest agents in Massachusetts, has organised several large parties which will sail from Boston to Queenstown in the summer. He told Mr. Harris that "bookings were coming in fast."

Mr. E. B. Collins, President of the Collins Tours Company, of Chicago, has arranged for a party of several hundred to arrive in Queenstown in July. Mr. Michael Kelly, of the White Star Line, New York, will also conduct a special pilgrimage of home-coming Irish-Americans from New York in July. These are but a few instances of the determined efforts to promote tourist traffic to Ireland now being made throughout the United States.

The American Press is "boosting" Ireland as a tourist resort.

In connection with the reception of emigrants from Ireland to America, Mr. Harris had a special interview with Mr. Henry Curran, Commissioner of Immigration at Ellis Island. He had an opportunity of inspecting the whole place and seeing for himself the improvements that have been carried out with the 326,000 dollars voted by Congress last year for that purpose. "I was impressed by the excellent arrangements for the emigrants who were detained for special examination," he said. "Their sleeping quarters were cleanly kept and the dormitories were equipped with iron bedsteads, mattresses and spotless linen, blankets, etc. There were special smaller rooms provided for women and small children. I saw about three hundred emigrants at meals in the dining hall, and the food supplied was plentiful, wholesome, cleanly served and eaten with evident satisfaction."

QUEENSTOWN-NEW YORK.

CUNARD COMPANY'S IMPROVED SERVICES.

The Cunard Steamship Company has arranged for an improved service between Queenstown and the United States and Canada during the season which is just opening. There will be weekly sailings to New York, a fortnightly service to Boston and regular sailings to Quebec and Montreal. Ten of the company's finest vessels will be employed on these services.

On Sunday the Samaria arrived at Queenstown to take up passengers for New York. It is her first voyage in this service since her return from a cruise in the Mediterranean. The Samaria, a vessel of 20,000 tons, is one of the latest additions to the Cunard fleet. Over 600 feet in length, she is driven by oil fuel, and, with her sister ships, represents the last word in steadiness and comfort. A representative of the *Irish Times* who travelled on her from Liverpool to Queenstown was shown all over the ship.

The provision for cabin and second class passengers can be described only by the word "luxurious." No hotel in these countries could be more lavishly and comfortably furnished than are the staterooms, with their supply of hot and cold running water, their adjoining bathrooms, lounges, wardrobes, etc. The public rooms are spacious, well-lighted and magnificently furnished. They comprise dining saloons, smoke rooms, writing rooms and lounges. In addition, there are winter gardens, a library, a gymnasium—everything that could contribute to the comfort and amusement of the passengers.

Probably the accommodation for third class passengers interests the greatest number. Third class passengers now are provided with spacious cabins, which give just as much privacy as the first and second class compartments. The day when emigrants had to take their own cooking utensils on board has gone for ever. On the Samaria third class passengers dine in an oak-panelled saloon, which is tastefully furnished. Excellent meals are served. There are baths and shower baths; and open and covered promenade decks give ample room for exercise and games of every description.

The Cunard Co. has given considerable attention to the development of Irish tourist traffic. For some years personally conducted parties to Ireland have sailed from New York and Boston by the Cunard ships, and several excursions have been arranged for the coming season.

THE LICENSING ACT.

CUMANN NA nGAEDHEAL PROPOSAL.

The Clonmel Branch of Cumann na nGaedheal has passed a resolution expressing the opinion that the compulsory recording of convictions under the Liquor Act is harsh on licence holders, and asking the local representatives in the Dail to introduce an amending Act, under which the recording of convictions would be left to the discretion of the District Justice, who "should be the best judge in such cases."

A copy of the resolution has been sent to the Convention of the organisation in Dublin, with a request for its adoption.

The Branch protests against the attempt by the Government to centralise election printing in Dublin as "a menace to provincial industry, which is ready to compete in the open market for all work," and a resolution on the point says that "it is feared that if the Government succeeds in centralising election printing they may extend it to other branches of printing and thus enrich city houses at the expense of the provinces."

POPULAR WITH MENTAL PATIENTS.

THE CINEMA AND NEWSPAPERS.

In the annual report of the Aberdeen City Mental Hospital, Dr. Alexander, Medical Superintendent, mentions that the cinema is more popular with the patients than any other kind of entertainment, and that wireless is "obnoxious to many whose type of disorder includes derangement of their sensory nerves, although a few enjoy it privately."

The survival of the daily newspapers in the wards is keenly anticipated by the patients, and the individual who collects two and sits on one until he has read the first is as unpopular as he is elsewhere.

In mental depression, Dr. Alexander says that the feelings of the patients are acutely sensitive, and that references to their illness, when couched in terms that might have been expressed differently, hurt these patients to an extent that has only to be seen to be believed. Hence all the newspapers are censored. *Punch*, however, goes through the wards uncensored always.

MEDWAY DISASTER INQUEST.

The Coroner's inquiry at Chatham into the death of Stoker Riddle, one of the six victims of the motor pinnace collision with the motor barge, Plame, in the Medway on Easter Monday night, concluded yesterday afternoon with a verdict amounting to misadventure, all parties being exonerated from blame.

The drowned men belonged to the Bacchus, a Royal fleet auxiliary ship. Considerable conflict of evidence was revealed between the coxswain of the motor pinnace and the master of the barge. The former said that he starboarded to clear the barge. It would have been correct to have ported, but the result would have been the same. On the other hand, the barge master said that he would have avoided colliding with the pinnace had the coxswain ported, though they might have grazed. The jury was not prepared to take a particular view upon the issue.

ROYAL PURCHASE FROM MUNICH DENIED.

The Press Association is authoritatively informed that there is no truth in the report from Munich that King George has purchased for £62,500 a Holbein portrait of Edward VI. as Prince of Wales. It is officially denied that His Majesty has been for some months negotiating for its purchase, or that he is purchasing it for £62,500, or any other sum.

FUTURE OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT.

POWERFUL INFLUENCES FOR CHANGE.

At a meeting of the Dublin Rotary Club yesterday, on the future of local government in the Free State, Mr. E. P. J. Carron, Secretary to the Local Government Department, spoke of a time when health matters would be completely centralised in the County Board of Health, and the County Medical Officer would be entirely independent of local influence.

There appeared to be some promise, he said, that in the immediate future the business of local government would be allowed to proceed unfettered by any dividing lines arising out of political party.

INTERESTING THE PUBLIC.

His object, he said, in bringing the subject before the club was to provoke a quickening of interest in, and an application of thought to, some of the more important basic facts underlying the system of Local Government at present in operation. Citizens like those whom he was addressing, who were practically conversant with the scientific structure of modern business, had full appreciation of the distinction between practical and illusory economies. A modern American authority of repute, referring to local government in that enlightened country, had said:—"The business is, in general, the most poorly managed business in the world. Until the dawn of the twentieth century the business of government was characterised by a lack of interest on the part of stockholders and customers by extravagance in the expenditure of money, by lack of business method on the part of officials and by inefficiency on the part of employers."

Those who were interested in the development of civic institutions throughout the world were under obligations for valuable lessons to be learned from the great American people, who had displayed remarkable acumen and daring courage in the inception of radical reforms. If, notwithstanding their freedom and the flexibility of their institutions, they were, as this writer implied, still so far removed from perfection in civic government, it gave Irishmen cause to reflect on the magnitude of the inherent problems which lay across the progress of all communities, however advantageous may be the structure of the State, or however earnest and honourable the outlook of the citizens. The root of the matter was that no community had in matters of local concern yet succeeded in reconciling two fundamental indisputable principles—firstly, that all Government, local as well as central, must be based on government by the people; and secondly, that grave evils cannot be eradicated if their causation could not be traced with precision to particular individuals on whom responsibility could be effectively placed.

INFLUENCES FOR CHANGE.

In the Saorstat we had now not only full power, but also the pressing obligations to mould the form of local representative institutions into accord with the practical requirements of our resources and traditions and social characteristics. The Oireachtas deliberates in the capital city, and, more than almost any other legislature, affords possibilities for the early ventilation of the disabilities or grievances of any individual or group throughout the State. The corrective influence of that tribunal tends increasingly to remove apathy from officialdom—a term which at one time was supposed to connote a place or state of rest. (Laughter.) Another powerful influence for change was the ever-growing perception of the fact that all men must conform to certain regulations that were necessary to the health and well-being of others. The present immunity from such virulent diseases as cholera and typhus and the well-maintained decline in mortality rates from tuberculosis could never have been possible without general measures independent of the fluctuating views held individually in parochial units. The bill of health of the Saorstat was a national matter, and an asset worthy of development. To put it on no higher plane, a country with considerable exportations of food commodities could not afford to delay too long in unifying and co-ordinating their various public health services. Likewise in the matter of internal transport, the Government of the Saorstat soon became convinced that an economical, efficient, or progressive policy of road construction and maintenance was impossible while powers were dispersed among so many as 160 rural district councils and 66 urban councils.

The conditions in the country rendered many changes necessary, and his plea was that, in dealing in these matters on the threshold of new adventures, the Government should be accorded in all their efforts all that could be spared of well-balanced experience and intellectual effort. (Hear, hear.) If further measures were desirable to secure that the complex business of local government in cities and counties may be carried out by whole-time responsible officers, the public generally could render great assistance by considering the most suitable manner of associating with such duties the views of the citizens locally, and presumably more especially with those who are subject to assessment for rates. These were practical matters which the commonsense of the public generally could well determine.

PREVENTIVE EXPENDITURE.

Other questions, less urgent but more involved, would demand attention in due course. In our present condition we should spend cautiously, and endeavour to secure that what we spend will be spent productively. The Department of Local Government was becoming more and more convinced of the value of preventive expenditure, especially in matters of public health. The centralisation of health and road matters already effected in the Local Government Act of this year should have the effect of eliminating unproductive expenditure and to focus criticism where it was deserved on parties who could not afford to ignore well-grounded complaints. Health matters would be completely centralised in the County Board of Health, and the county medical officer, it was hoped, would be entirely independent of local influence. There appeared to be some promise that in the immediate future the business of local government would be allowed to proceed quite unfettered by any dividing lines arising out of political views. (Hear, hear.) It should not be forgotten that public representatives had ungrudgingly in the past voluntarily done useful work, and in the time that was coming, under the new system, he hoped that there would be a great extension of voluntary workers in social activities. It was wonderful how much public economy could be achieved by voluntary workers.

Dr. Fannin, in proposing a vote of thanks to Mr. McCarron, said that he thought it would be agreed that the young Ministry had done admirably. The permanent officials were looking ahead, and he hoped that those who were elected, and to be elected, would also look ahead. What was urgently wanted was some arrangement, whereby the payment of rates on houses by the landlord, rather than by the tenant, should be abolished. The present system had the effect of producing carelessness in a great many persons as to how the city was administered.

Mr. Bradbury seconded the proposition.

CAUSE OF HIGH RATES.

Sir Thomas Robinson said that he had had thirty-five years' experience of local government, and he attributed the extraordinary high local rates in the cities and towns to on cause only—public representation. When the franchise qualification was swept away the ratepayers ceased to have any real voice in the election of their representatives. One of the things that had brought about the extraordinary increase in local taxation within the last twenty years or so was this—if the local Council wanted to raise a loan for a water supply, or to make roads or drainage, they were required by the Local Government Board to have an inquiry, but if a Council wanted to increase their wages by, say, £120 a week, they were not required to get the sanction of the Local Government Board. After a certain election there was a motion in the Council to reduce the rents of the workmen's dwellings from 3s. 6d. to 3s. a week, and when he asked if the tenants had made any demand for such reduction he was told not to bother his head; for "the poor have done a turn for us, and we will do a turn for them."

The President said that they would all give the Local Government Department all the help that they could.

EX-MINISTERS IN BELGRADE.

PLOTTING AGAINST BULGARIA.

EXPULSION REQUESTED

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

SOFIA, Monday.

The Bulgarian Government has asked Jugo-Slavia to expel the Provisional Bulgarian Government which has been functioning in Belgrade for some months.

Alexander Oboff, who was Minister of Agriculture in Stambouliski's Government, fled from Sofia to Belgrade after Stambouliski was overthrown, and was later joined by two other former Ministers, Christe Anoff and Nedelko Athanassoff, who had escaped from prison in Bulgaria, and again later by Constantine Todorroff, another of Stambouliski's Ministers.

These ex-Ministers organised a "Provisional Bulgarian Government," and it is alleged they were directly financed and directed by the Communist International.

Oboff's brother, it is declared, went to Moscow several times to get funds and bring back orders.

The Bulgarian Government alleges that they gave orders to the Agrarian party in Bulgaria, and, with the purpose of making constant trouble for the Zankoff Government, this "Provisional Government" has been arming, feeding and instructing the Bulgarian Communists and Agrarian refugees in Jugo-Slavia.

These refugees have been formed into bands, which have made constant raids into Bulgaria. They declare there are at least 550 of these refugee raiders now living in Nich, Serbia, and 150 at Pojarevatz. In the various Serbian frontier towns there are declared to be at least 1,200.

More than thirty raids into Bulgaria in the past two months are attributed to these refugee bands. On the other hand, Jugo-Slavia accuses Bulgaria of harbouring Macedonian comitadjis, but the Bulgarian Government's reply to this is that the Macedonians are an organic part of the Bulgarian people, and constitute at least 30 per cent. of the population of Sofia and at least 10 per cent. of the whole Bulgarian people.

OBITUARY.

MR. JOSEPH BERRY.

The death of Mr. Joseph Berry, Town Surveyor to the Kingstown Urban Council, occurred last Saturday. Mr. Berry, who was sixty-four years of age, had been Surveyor to the Kingstown municipal authority for the past thirty-five years. Apart from his profession, he was known as a philologist, whose interest in Celtic and Cymric tongues brought him into close association with Breton and Welsh antiquaries. He was an architect of fine artistic feeling, the expression of which was cramped on many occasions by the practical limitations of urban finance. Most of the improvements of a structural character and all the slum clearances made in Kingstown during the last quarter of a century were designed by Mr. Berry. The rebuilding of the Kingstown front from the East Pier and along the new boulevard to Sandycove was designed by him, and this work will always augment architectural conceptions worthy of larger opportunity. The funeral will take place at Glasnevin this morning after the nine o'clock Mass at St. Michael's Church, Kingstown.

COL. SAUNDERS-KNOX-GORE.

The death occurred in Bath last week of Colonel William Arthur Gore Saunders-Knox-Gore, Belleek Manor, Ballina, Co. Mayo. Colonel Saunders-Knox-Gore was the eldest son of the late Major-General W. B. Saunders-Knox-Gore, and was born in 1854. Like his father, he served in the Royal Artillery, was afterwards a Lieutenant-Colonel of the Reserve of Officers, and Honorary Colonel of the Donegal Royal Field Artillery. He married in 1887 Maria Becher, daughter of the late Mr. J. S. Prince, Cornwall Mansions, London, S.W.

He served as High Sheriff for County Mayo in 1895, was a Deputy Lieutenant and Justice of the Peace for the county, and a Justice of the Peace for County Sligo. The Order of the British Empire was conferred upon him in 1919 for his services during the war.

JUDGE F. H. MELLOR.

News was received in Manchester yesterday afternoon of the death in Paris, following an operation, of Judge Francis Hamilton Mellor, K.C., who had been Judge of Manchester County Court since 1911. He was aged 71, and was the tenth son of the late Mr. Justice Mellor. He was Recorder of Preston from 1898 to 1921, and had acted as chairman of the Mining and Railway Conciliation Boards.

SIR GEORGE CASSON WALKER.

The death occurred at Hove (Sussex) yesterday, in his seventy-first year, of Sir George Casson Walker, K.C.S.I., who was political officer in Kabul during the Afghan War, and had been prominently connected with the Civil Service in India since 1877. From 1901 to 1911 he acted as Financial Adviser to the Nizam of Hyderabad. Sir George had been resident at Hove for many years, and was a local magistrate.

MR. T. GALLAHER'S 85TH BIRTHDAY.

Mr. Thomas Gallaher, J.P., yesterday celebrated his eighty-fifth birthday. He is the head of Messrs. Gallaher, Ltd., Belfast, the largest individual tobacco factory in the world, with branches in many countries. Mr. Gallaher still takes a keen interest in the business, and yesterday visited the factory in York street, Belfast, where he received the congratulations of visitors and employés. Longevity is a special characteristic of Mr. Gallaher's family. The ages of his seven surviving brothers and sisters range from 89 to 75 years, an average of 82½ years.

THE PRINCE'S TOUR.

ON BOARD H.M.S. REPULSE, Monday.

Beautiful weather is being experienced to-day. There is a slight swell. All on board are in the highest spirits. The Prince of Wales this morning visited the forward turrets, and manipulated the 15-inch guns. This afternoon he is planning a game of squash rackets.—(Press Association Special Correspondent.)

WOMEN TRADE UNIONISTS IN MOSCOW.

MOSCOW, Monday.

A delegation of women from British trade unions arrived to-day in Moscow, with the object, it is announced, of becoming acquainted with the situation of working women in Russia. The delegation, which consists of one member of the General Council of Trades Unions and four representatives of different trade unions, was heartily greeted at the station by numerous delegations of Moscow working women. Speeches were exchanged between the members of the delegation and Soviet representatives.—(Reuter.)

ITALY TO JAPAN FLIGHT.

ROME, Monday.

The Italian aviator, Signor Francesco de Pinedo, who set out in a Savoy machine last Wednesday from Sesto Calende on a flight to Japan *via* India and Australia, is reported to have left Bagdad this morning for Bushire.—(Reuter.)

The Irish Glass Bottle Co., Ltd., of Charlotte quay, Dublin, state that it is installing additional plant which will meet the demands of the Irish trade. It is not the intension of the firm to increase prices beyond those ruling in England.

CLERICAL OFFICERS' EXAM., 30th June.
NOTICE.
As our ordinary Classes for men have filled, we have arranged special Evening Classes on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays. Last exam., July, 1926.—91 SUCCESSES. BEST RESULT.—SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin.—(Advt.)

"WITCHCRAFT" IN RUSSIA.

SOVIET OFFICIAL WHO TORTURED WOMEN.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

RIGA, Monday.

That the systematic torturing of women accused of being witches is not a myth created by the Soviet's enemies, is proved by the Soviet's own official newspaper.

The Moscow *Izvestia* of April 17 records the trial of Comrade Tesin, chairman of the ex-Committee of Raevka, in the Province of Ekaterinoslaw, who was sentenced to eight years' imprisonment for whipping and torturing peasant women accused of witchcraft.

In his defence Tesin declared: "Witches in my country have been multiplying fast, as every peasant knows. They flew through chimneys, rode broomsticks, and even dared at night to milk cows on Government farms."

Tesin ordered the county militia and local clubs of young Communists to watch all peasant women in the villages, but they failed to catch a witch at "work."

Finally he ordered a peasant woman named Lisenkova, to be tortured.

Investigators discovered more cases of torture in which Tesin was concerned. His confederates were also sentenced to eight years' imprisonment.

WESTERN FRONTIER OF EGYPT.

THE DISCUSSIONS WITH ITALY.

Telegraphing from Cairo yesterday *The Times* Correspondent states:—It is expected that at its meeting to-morrow the Cabinet will consider the report of the Egyptian Mission recently despatched to the oasis of Jarabub (on the Egyptian-Italian frontier), and after the Egyptian Government has considered its attitude, discussions with the Italian Government will begin. It is understood that discussions are now going on between the Italian and British Governments, with a view to avoid misapprehensions and to define the two Governments' views in regard to the Milner-Scialoja arrangement, to which the Italian Government holds as the basis of the frontier settlement.

It is further understood that as the result of these conversations the British Government, if occasion arises, may, in a friendly manner, represent to the Egyptian Government the desirability of reaching an amicable settlement with Italy. It is explained here that the Italian Government, while willing to grant the Egyptian Government a reasonable delay before embarking on the final negotiations, does not intend that delay to be unlimited.

ARMS CONFERENCE.

NO REPRESENTATION OF RUSSIA.

MOSCOW, Monday.

The Rosta News Agency states that the People's Commissariat for Foreign Affairs has informed the General Secretary of the League of Nations that the Soviet Government declines the invitation to take part in the conference for the international regulation of the trade in arms which the Secretariat of the League sent to the Soviet Government.

The refusal was sent by telegraph, and the letter of confirmation points out that the Soviet Government continues to preserve a neutral attitude regarding the League, except in the case of technical questions or for special humanitarian reasons.

In the present case, the letter adds, the Soviet Government cannot allow any interference with its internal affairs, such as is envisaged in the proposals of the League, nor can it put itself in a subordinate position in relation to the League.—(Reuter.)

A GALLIPOLI SECRET.

WHEN LEADER DOUBTED THE POSSIBILITY OF LANDING.

General Sir Ian Hamilton disclosed a war secret at the annual dinner of the 29th Division, who landed on Gallipoli on April 25, 1915.

"There was a brief period towards the end of March and the beginning of April, 1915," said the General, who commanded the original Mediterranean Expeditionary Force, "when I did really begin to waver in my mind as to whether Von der Goltz was not right in saying that a landing was a sheer impossibility.

"During this period the Egyptian Press kept on giving the most clear and specific detail as to arrivals of troops and material. I was informed that Egypt was not at war, and that it was beyond our power to restrain the Egyptian Press.

"Everyone had been fully informed of everything from England. At luncheon at the Abdin Palace the Sultan discussed the landing on Gallipoli with me quite openly before courtiers and servants.

"Do you know what finally made me steel my heart to carry on? My inspection of the 29th Division."

INTERNATIONAL CHESS.

BADEN, Monday.

To-day's results in the ninth round of the International Chess Tournament were as follows:—Tartakower beat Rosell, Reti beat Te Kolste, Nimzowitsch and Thomas a draw. Other ninth round games to be played are Rubenstein v. Marshall, Grunfeld v. Carls Torre, Mieses Colle v. Rhainowitsch, Tarrasch v. Spielmann, Yates v. Samisch, Alekhine v. Treybal, Bogoljuboff a bye.

BUILDING TRADE HOURS.

The dispute over summer working hours in the building industry was considered in London yesterday by the National Joint Emergency Commission, representing the federated employers and the organised workers.

After a long sitting it was announced that a unanimous decision had been reached, which it was hoped would remove existing difficulties.

FRANCO-GERMAN ECONOMICS.

PARIS, Monday.

M. Chaumet, French Minister of Commerce, and Herr Trendelenburg, head of the German Commercial Delegation, have decided that Franco-German economic negotiations shall be resumed on Wednesday next.

FATAL BRAWL IN SHEFFIELD.

A *melée* in Sheffield last night had a fatal result. Two opposing gangs of men met near Norfolk Bridge, on the Attercliffe main road, and a general fight ensued, in which all kinds of weapons were used. Several men were injured, and half a dozen were taken to the Royal Infirmary suffering from cuts and other wounds. A man named William Plummer, who was not a member of either gang, but tried to make peace, was set upon and fatally injured.

The death occurred in Brompton Hospital, London, yesterday, at the age of 45, of Mr. Joseph Weston Nicholl, of Halifax, a well-known musical composer and adjudicator at brass band festivals, and formerly conductor of the Black Dyke Band.

M. Painlevé last evening received Lord Crewe, the British Ambassador.

M. Philippe Berthelot has been appointed Secretary-General at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, a post which he formerly held. His retirement was a sequel to the affair of the Banque Industrielle de Chine.

President Coolidge yesterday received Admiral Sir Francis Bridgeman in Washington.

M. Theodore Tissier, head of the Public Works Department of the Council of State, has been appointed to take charge of matters connected with the High Commissioner in the Rhine Provinces and of French interests in the Saar.

The Freedom of the Borough of Bewdley, of which he is a native, will be presented on August 8th to the Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin. Born at Lower Park, Bewdley, Mr. Baldwin, since the death of his father, has represented West Worcester, now the Bewdley Division.

If a mentally defective girl looks pretty, nothing in the world will persuade a magistrate that she may be a menace to society.—Dr. F. Douglas Turner.

THE MALABAR HILL MURDER TRIAL.

DANCING GIRL'S STORY OF PERSECUTION.

BOMBAY, Monday.

In opening the case for the prosecution in the Bawla murder trial to-day, counsel traversed the ground covered in the Lower Court regarding the relations of Mumtaz Beg m with the Maharajah of Indore and their subsequent quarrel, as a result of which she left Indore and went to live, first, at Amritsar and, afterwards, at Nagpur and Bombay, pursued all the while by emissaries from Indore, who were trying to induce her to return to the Maharajah.

Counsel stated that while the conspiracy was being hatched certain coded telegrams were exchanged between two of the accused men, Ponde and Phanse, one of which read, "Send puppies to Poona without delay," which counsel interpreted as meaning, "Send the conspirators to Poona without delay," as Bawla and Mumtaz were then staying at Lonavla, not far from Poona. Counsel added that the conspirators' idea was to disable Mr. Bawla and to kidnap Mumtaz.

There were two motor drivers in the assailants' car, said counsel, one of whom was to take Bawla's car and to leave it in an untraceable spot so as to avoid detection.

Describing the movements of the accused men a few hours prior to the outrage, counsel said that the assailants' car followed Bawla's car across the city until they reached Malabar Hill, where an attempt was made to carry out the plan.

MUMTAZ BEGUM'S EVIDENCE.

Mumtaz Begum was the first witness for the prosecution. She gave her evidence confidently and without a sign of nervousness. Once again she narrated the story of her life since she became a dancing girl attached to the Maharajah of Indore's suite and during the ten years that she was the Maharajah's mistress, in the early part of which, she asserted, the Maharajah confiscated all her jewellery and clothes, worth about five million rupees, and then banished her.

When she finally left Indore, she lived at Amritsar, and was so afraid of persecutors from Indore that she was obliged to engage two Gurkhas as watchmen.

With reference to her child, she said that soon after her return from England with the Maharajah, a child was born to her, of which the father was the Maharajah. No further reference to the child was made during the remainder of the hearing, which was shortly afterwards adjourned.—Press Association's Special Correspondent.

LORD BYNG.

SECOND TERM AS GOVERNOR-GENERAL OF CANADA.

TORONTO, Monday.

It is intimated that Lord Byng of Vimy may have a second term as Governor-General. The intimation has given general satisfaction, as he enjoys great popularity throughout the country.

From the first he has had happy relations with his Ministers, and he remains on excellent terms with the leaders of the Progressive and Conservative Parties.

As yet there has been no official statement, but it is understood that the decision as to a second term remains with Lord Byng himself.—*The Times* Correspondent.

LABOUR IN NEW SOUTH WALES.

GOVERNMENT'S PROGRAMME.

SYDNEY, Monday.

Sir George Fuller, President of New South Wales, speaking at Moss Vale, setting forth his policy with a view to the coming elections, said that the fundamental issue of the election was whether the State was to be governed by a party which stood for ordered government, or one which, by its inaction, condoned defiance of the law.

He stated that the Government had restored sound, business-like finance, whereas the previous Labour Government had substantially raised taxation.

While not opposed to the principle of trades unionism, the Government believed that it was necessary to amend the law to provide safeguards against the abuse of power and privileges given to the unions. Thrift would be encouraged, and reform was also promised in regard to the Fair Rents Act. Steps would be taken to ensure a higher standard of public health.

THE CANCER QUESTION.

GENEVA, Monday.

Sir George Buchanan, British representative on the Hygiene Committee of the League of Nations, makes some communications in regard to the Committee's activity in respect of the cancer question.

The Committee has adopted the report sent in by the Commission to inquire into cancer, which was specially charged to consider the problem from the point of view of mortality. The Commission, which considered all sorts of theories, holds the opinion that cancer cases are identical in all countries, though they occur with variable virulence. Special studies were made in certain districts. The United States hygienic service was placed at the Commission's disposal.

FRANCO-GERMAN NEGOTIATIONS

PARIS, Monday.

Herr Trendelenburg, German delegate, has arrived to resume the Franco-German commercial negotiations.—(Reuter.)

GLASGOW LORD RECTORSHIP.

Mr. Sidney Webb, M.P., yesterday was chosen by the Glasgow University Labour Club as candidate for Lord Rectorship. Sir. Austen Chamberlain is Conservative candidate.

NEW CO. DOWN MAGISTRATES.

The Governor of Northern Ireland, on the recommendation of His Majesty's Lieutenant for County Down (the Marquis of Londonderry, K.C.), has appointed the following to the Commission of the Peace for County Down:—

Adair, Alexander, Craigboy, Donaghadee.
Berry, Colonel, Robert Gordon John Johnstone, Ardaulin, Newcastle.
Blackwood-Price, Rev. Edward Hyde, Saintfield House, Saintfield.
Cromie, Alexander, Millvale, Rathfriland.
Davidson, William, Deversdene, Cherry-valley, Comber.
Dobbyn, Alexander MacManus Rowan, The Cottage, Bryansford.
Dodd, Albert Ernest, The Laurels, Woodford, Dromara.
Evans, Lieutenant-Colonel William Martin, Cloona, Castlewellan.
Flynn, Daniel, Crossgar.
Fryer, Robert, Greystones, Banbridge.
M'Bride, Robert, M.P., Drumairn, Gilford.
M'Mechan, John Henry, Thomastown House, Portaferry.
M'Robert, John, Rademon, Crossgar.
Orr, Joseph, Terminane House, Downpatrick.
Orr, Joseph, The Cottage, Saintfield.
Quinn, David, Killinchy street, Comber.
Ross, Brigadier-General, R. J., C.B., C.M.G., Mount Norris, Newcastle.

Missionary Sale.—A successful missionary sale of work, organised by the Missionary Committee of the Christian Endeavour Society, was held in the Parochial Hall, Bloomfield avenue, last Saturday. Mr. A. T. Barber, of the Mission to Lepers, and Miss Darley, of the Church of England Zenana Missionary Society, gave short accounts of the work that is being done by their societies. The stalls, which were well stocked, comprised tea, refreshment, toys, work and miscellaneous, handkerchief and jumble. The proceeds amounted to £64, and will be divided among the mission to Lepers, Church of England Zenana, and the British and Foreign Bible Societies.

BUSINESS FIRMS
Requiring Women Typists or Clerks should call up 51354 (Rosse College, Stephen's Green). 235 Certificates in Shorthand, Typewriting, etc., gained by pupils since January, 1924.—(Advt.)

U.S. MARKETS.

LIQUIDATION OF GERMAN BONDS.

(REUTERS TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Monday.

Stocks opened weak. The German election encouraged bear selling, and German Bonds were liquidated. German Sevens, at a discount at 91⅛, reached the lowest price since the Bonds were issued. Commercial Solvents issues broke 5 to 9 points, but rallied 17 to 19 points in the afternoon, when the entire list advanced vigorously. U.S. Cast Iron Pipe fell 4 points, but rebounded 16 points. Kresge Chain Store dropped 20 points. The market closed steady. Government Bonds firm; Railroad Bonds easy. The day's sales totalled 870,000 shares.

Money on call closed steady at 4 per cent. bid and 4¼ per cent. asked. All business was transacted at 4 per cent. Sterling exchange steady. Silver ½c. higher at 66⅞.

	Mon.	Sat.
Call Money	4@ 4¼%	Nom.
Exchange on Lon. 60 days sight	4.77⅛	4.77
Do. do Demand Bills	4.81⅝	4.81
Cable Transfers	4.82	4.82
Do. Montreal	4.82½	4.81
Exchange Paris, cable	5.19¾	5.21

Eng. Parity	STOCKS.	Closing Bid Business Prices. Mon.	Sat.
106⅛	U.S. Funded	102⅛	102
124	Atch. Top., Santa Fe	119½	120
98	Do. Preference	94½	93
77½	Baltimore and Ohio	74½	74
147½	Canadian Pacific	142	141
5½	Chic., Mil., & St. Paul	4⅞	4
30⅝	Chicago, and N.-West	46⅜	48
28⅛	Erie Shares	27¾	27
37½	Erie 1st Preferred	35¾	36
116⅛	Illinois Central	112	112
113¾	Louisville & Nashville	109½	109
33⅛	Missouri, Kan., & Texas	32¾	33
25⅜	Missouri Pacific New	24	24
119⅛	N.Y. Cit. & Hudson R.	114⅛	115

NORTHERN EDUCATION.

TERMS OF TRANSFER OF SCHOOLS.

Although the recent Amending Act to the Northern Education Act removed the objections which many held to the transfer of existing schools, an agreed form of transfer has yet to be devised. In the meanwhile managers are being advised not to hand over their schools to the Education authorities.

With the object of arriving at an agreed form of transfer, the School Managers' Association, under the presidency of the Ven. Archdeacon of Dromore, has adopted the following resolutions:—

(1) That the hon. secretaries, acting in conjunction with representatives of the other Protestant Churches and of the County Grand L.O.L. of Belfast, be requested to write and ascertain from the Ministry of Education whether the Ministry is now prepared to approve of the following conditions being incorporated in a deed of transfer for schools:—

(a) That religious instruction shall be given by the teaching staff as heretofore, on a programme approved of by the persons or body transferring the school;

(b) That in the event of a teacher being appointed who, on religious grounds, is objectionable to the persons or body transferring the school (or to the persons or body transferring and the local School Committee), it shall be competent for the persons transferring the school, on giving due and reasonable notice to the Education authority, to terminate the lease of transfer; and that, pending the receipt of a satisfactory reply from the Ministry, we advise school managers to defer action in regard to the transfer of their schools.

(2) That, in view of the likelihood of our being in a position in the immediate future to offer to transfer our schools to the Education authority, we advise school managers to guard against entering into any agreement which might bind them to continue to maintain their schools as voluntary schools, should the Education authority decline to accept of their transfer on fair and reasonable conditions.

At the request of the Chairman, the Rev. James Quinn, one of the hon. secretaries, gave an account of the proceedings leading up to the passing of the amendment to the Education Act. The United Education Committee of the Protestant Churches had, he said, taken the opinion of two eminent counsel, and were advised that the course for them to pursue as best calculated to obtain as nearly as possible the objects they had in view was an Amending Bill which would remove the prohibitions contained in Sections 2b and 66 of the Act; and that, "if these prohibitions were repealed, there would be nothing to prevent an Education authority or Education Committee, if it so desired, from having regard to the religious beliefs of an applicant for the position of teacher, or from requiring such applicant to undertake by his agreement to give Bible teaching, if such was made part of the curriculum by the appropriate authority."

That was what the Amending Bill had done, and he was glad to pay tribute to the sympathetic and generous spirit in which the Prime Minister had met them once the Government had decided on an amendment. If the same spirit obtained in the administration of the Act—and they had no reason to expect it to be different—he was convinced that there was now nothing to prevent them all from being reasonably satisfied and giving their hearty support to making the Act a success.

As soon as a reply had been received from the Ministry and conditions of transfer arranged for in regard to certain schools in Belfast, the hon. secretaries undertook to send a draft copy and hints for the guidance of managers wishing to transfer their schools to every member of the Association.

ITALIAN COMEDY.

GOLDONI'S SIXTEEN PLAYS IN ONE YEAR.

Dr. Walter Starkie, F.,T.C.D., read a paper on "Goldoni and the *Commedia dell'arte*," before the members of the Royal Irish Academy, in Dublin, yesterday, introducing his subject by tracing the history of the improvised mask play in Italy during the seventeenth century.

After sketching briefly the chief events in Carlo Goldoni's life, Dr. Starkie went on to discuss, in some detail, his early plays, showing the influence of the *commedia dell'arte* on them. He drew attention to the fact that some critics, including, it was said, Voltaire, called Goldoni the Molière of Italy. This criticism was very unfair to the Venetian dramatist, as it suggested that he was profoundly influenced by the French dramatist. Goldoni's real basis for inspiration was the *commedia dell'arte*, and the lecturer sought to prove this by examining some of the early plays, such as "*Il Servitore di due Padroni*," which was directly moulded from the *scenario* of the old comedy.

The early plays of Goldoni, with the exception of the tragedies, were all suggested by the *commedia dell'arte*. But Goldoni, soon after 1738, left Venice and took up his duties as Consul in Pisa, where he came into contact with one of the Arcadian academies. In 1748 he returned to Venice, and started as a professional writer of plays, and in 1750, after many struggles, he undertook the well-nigh impossible task of writing and producing in that year sixteen new, original plays. These plays said Dr. Starkie, were among Goldoni's finest tribute to the European theatre.

KEPT OUT POLICE.

PUBLICAN WHO FEARED AN ARMED RAID.

Michael P. Maguire, publican, 18 Phibsborough road, appealed against a conviction of the District Justice, fining him £2 and endorsing his licence for failing to admit the police to his premises on the night of the 10th January last.

The evidence was that the police knocked at the defendant's door and were refused admittance, although they told the publican that they were police on duty. Mr. Maguire told them that they were "frauds" and threatened to shoot them through the door.

For the appellant, it was stated that his premises had been raided on three different occasions and that he had been robbed of £270 worth of goods and money. On the night in question other premises in the same street were raided, and he had seen some suspicious people at his door. He refused to open the door because he believed that this was another attempt to rob him.

The Judge said that, having regard to the good character of the defendant and the extenuating circumstances in connection with the case, he would give the defendant the benefit of the Probation of Offenders Act and bind him over to keep the peace for twelve months, to come up for judgment when called upon. There would be no conviction registered against him.

The bottle of ENO on a shelf in the bathroom is one of the proved rules of successful living

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DUBLIN AND THE PROVINCES.

DUBLIN.

Shakespearean Recital.—The boys of St. Patrick's Cathedral School will give scenes from "The Merchant of Venice" and "A Winter's Tale" in the Diocesan Hall, Upper Baggot street, next Thursday. The entertainment will include a recital of Shakespearean songs by Mr. T. W. Hall, with Dr. Hewson at the piano. In accordance with Elizabethan custom, the women's parts will be taken by boys. The proceeds will be devoted to the funds of the Dublin University Mission in India.

A meeting of the Solicitors' Apprentices' Debating Society was held at 33 Molesworth street yesterday evening, when members delivered impromptu speeches.

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE, VIA LIVERPOOL.

ARRIVALS:—Lord Rathdonnell, Hon. Mrs. Bramwell, Sir W. Haig, Hon. Mrs. Campbell, H. Haigh, Father Kelly, R. G. Allen, G. S. Philpotts, J. R. Guiler, T. Lowe, J. H. Buckle, B. Devlin, T. Behrend, L. Whyte, C. O'Neill, K. J. Harper, J. Galway.

DEPARTURES:—Right Rev. Monsignor Rocklif, B. Ganible, T. Kirkpatrick, L. L. Dix, J. McKinley, G. Beckmann, R. Clements, T. H. Taylor, T. Edwards, H. M. Dockrell, T. Cohen, R. Derry, S. Champion, S. J. Larmour, J. K. Laing, Mrs. E. Berkeley, T. Quinshaw, T. Galway, R. Preston.

CONNAUGHT.

A Grave Warning.—It was stated during a case at Boyle last Saturday that the owner of some land about which there has been a local agitation found on his estate a grave eight feet long and three feet deep. At the head of the grave was a red-painted wooden cross bearing the landowner's name and the letters "R.I.P."

Killed by Tree.—Michael Cassidy, aged 20, was killed in Loughglynn Demesne, Castlerea, Co. Roscommon, yesterday, by the fall of a tree which he and two others were engaged in cutting down.

LEINSTER.

Thomastown R.D.C. Debts. — When the Clerk of Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny, District Council stated that there was a credit balance on March 31 of £597 11s. 8d., a member said that the Council had nothing on which to congratulate itself, considering that it was the highest rated District Council in the county, with a rate of 1s. 2d. in the £. The Chairman said that he was informed that 3½d. was for Board of Health charges, 3½d. for expenditure on roads, and the balance of 7½d. for old debts incurred by the Council during a number of years. The Clerk said that no money was owed by the Council. Another member alleged that the Council owed money to traders in Graiguenamanagh, and that it could not now get a match on credit in that town. The Clerk was directed to obtain particulars of the outstanding debts.

Farmers and Wexford Finances.—At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Co. Wexford Farmers' Association last Saturday, a member urged that the Association should obtain facts and figures of the finances of the public bodies in the county, the true state of which was known to only a few men in the county. The Secretary said that he had been told that the County Council had borrowed £70,000 to reduce the rates for the year. Next year as a result the rates would increase. If the small farmers realised the position they would go to Wexford and kick the County Council and the officials into the Slaney. The cost of running the County Home last year was £11,000 more than that of the four workhouses during the most costly year of the war. Another member advocated the appointment of a Commissioner to replace the County Council. He instanced the Dublin Corporation as an example of the benefits of a Commissioner who would handle county affairs in a business-like way. Other members deprecated the suggestion.

A Well-Managed Council.—Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny, Rural District Council has passed votes of thanks to Mr. E. O'Gorman, the Chairman, and Mr. L. Barry, the Clerk, for the efficient manner in which they had carried out their duties and looked after the interests of the ratepayers. The Clerk said that a prominent Local Government official had stated that Thomastown Rural District Council was the best managed public body in the Irish Free State.

Ireland's "Putrid" Roads.—A member of the Executive Committee of the Co. Wexford Farmers' Association declared at a meeting last Saturday that he had been in Egypt, India and Palestine, but had never seen a road as bad as that between Gorey and Enniscorthy. He had never seen such putrid roads as in Ireland, where the people had to pay so much for road maintenance.

Lower Price for Pigs.—The price paid for fat pigs at Thomastown, Co. Kilkenny, pig market yesterday was 92s. a cwt., a fall of 6s. in a fortnight.

Farmers in Local Government.—The Executive Committee of the Co. Wexford Farmers' Association, at a meeting last Saturday, decided to contest the forthcoming Local Government elections, and to put forward twenty candidates for the twenty-seven vacancies in the county.

MUNSTER.

Eight in a Cabin.—A man with seven children applied to Youghal No. 2 Council for the tenancy of a labourer's cottage. He said that he and his family lived in a one-roomed dwelling built against a cliff. There was no room for a second bed in his home. The house was given to a man with four children, on the ground that he was a genuine labourer.

Rural Council and Roads.—At the quarterly meeting of Youghal No. 2 Rural Council, the Clerk read a letter from the Local Government Board, stating that the functions of the Rural District Councils in the matter of proposals for the maintenance of roads terminated on March 31. The surveyor said that, with all due respect to the Minister for Local Government, he forgot to tell them what procedure was to be adopted in the meantime. The letter said that the proposals were not necessary, but he recommended the Council to deal with the proposals as usual and send them to the County Council. After some discussion, this was done.

Roscrea Bank Robbery.—Men giving the names of John McCarthy, James Peters, Michael Thomas and Richard O'Brien, were formally charged in Roscrea yesterday with being concerned in the recent robbery of a bank in the town, and were remanded for eight days.

Telegraph Poles Cut Down.—Youghal Rural District Council has received a claim for £210 compensation for telegraph poles cut down at Monea, Ardmore, and a claim for £18 for damage to a motor car, which ran into one of the fallen poles.

ULSTER.

Ballyshannon Harbour. — Ballyshannon, Co. Donegal, Harbour Commissioners have asked the Government for a grant to cover the cost of clearing the harbour bar and erecting a breakwater. A Government engineer reported some months ago that it would cost half a million pounds to carry out the suggested work.

Cavan Literary Society.—At the fifth annual general meeting of Cavan Literary Society, Mr. E. J. King was elected President; Mr. T. J. Burke, Vice-President; Mr. E. J. Smith, Hon. Secretary; Mr. E. H. Kennedy, Hon. Treasurer; and Mr. J. S. Brown, Hon. Librarian. The Society is in a very satisfactory condition, and shows a gradual improvement from year to year.

The Local Government audit of the accounts of the Urban District Council of Rathmines and Rathgar for the year ended March 31, 1924, was opened yesterday at the Town Hall, Rathmines, Dublin.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

Memorial to Northern Rioter.—At the Evening Service in Drumtullagh Parish Church, the Rev. R. Moore Morrow, rector of Billy (North Antrim), dedicated a tablet to the memory of the late Rev. Walter E. French, rector of Brantry, Diocese of Armagh, who died on September 17, 1920, aged 41 years. The late Mr. French was rector of Drumtullagh from 1905 to 1916. He succeeded his father, the late Rev. Henry French, in the incumbency of Drumtullagh. The tablet was erected by his sister, Mrs. Kelly, Kilcronaghan Rectory, Derry.

Portnanagh Slander Action.—Mary A. Cassidy was awarded £5 5s. damages and £11 witnesses' expenses, at Enniskillen yesterday, in a slander action against Peter Harren. Cassidy's and Harren's sons were formerly servants in the employ of John McConnell, of Innishmore Island, who was murdered. Harren, senior, was alleged to have stated before neighbours that Mary Cassidy had "robbed the old man." The judge said that the plaintiff was entitled to have her character cleared.

The Marquis of Hamilton's Thanks.—The Lord Mayor of Belfast yesterday received the following letter from the Marquis of Hamilton:—"I write to give my sincere thanks to yourself, personally, for your extreme kindness to me on Wednesday. I would be very grateful if you would be so good as to express to all those who joined with you in presenting me with your beautiful gifts, my great gratitude for their generosity and goodwill."

A Misaid Bicycle.—Our Dungannon Correspondent writes:—A charge against Thomas J. Crilly, of Lissan, Moneymore, of recklessly driving a motor car was dismissed at Dungannon Petty Sessions to-day (Monday). Father Doherty, Lissan, who was a passenger in the car, said that as they approached Grange corner they discovered a bicycle on the mudguard of the car. They pulled up, but it was some minutes before the owner of the bicycle appeared.

Runaway Motor Car.—J. R. Montgomery Foyle street, was fined 5s. in Londonderry yesterday for leaving a motor car without taking due precaution against its being started in his absence. A constable said that the defendant stopped the car outside a shop, and left the engine in motion while the defendant was away. The car started, mounted the path, and ran against the wall of a shop. The defendant said that he put the hand brake on. It was a gust of wind that started the car.

Students Collect for Hospitals.—The students of Queen's University, Belfast, were active yesterday in the city collecting on behalf of the local hospitals. Many of the students were in fancy dress, some of which were of most fantastic design. They invaded shops, tramcars, and offices, and made a large collection. A house to house collection was made in the residential districts.

Street Football Nuisance.—William Scanlan, aged 16, of Walker's place, was fined 5s. in Londonderry yesterday for playing football in the street. The Magistrate said that it was "almost impossible to get walking on the footpaths in some districts."

DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT.

CASE AGAINST DUBLIN SOLICITOR.

EVIDENCE OF HOUSE SALES.

Charles P. O'Neill, solicitor to the Blackrock Urban Council, was charged on remand with having fraudulently converting to his own use four sums amounting to £1,797, the property of the Council.

Mr. D. O'Flaherty, solicitor, prosecuted, and Mr. Nolan-Whelan (instructed by Mr. C. Murray) defended.

Mr. Thomas Figgis, solicitor, stated that he was acting for a Mr. Russell in connection with the sale of a house at 2 Temple Park West, Blackrock. The purchase price was £467. In pursuance of the formalities of the sale a sum of £300 was made payable to Mr. C. P. O'Neill, to be lodged to the credit of the Blackrock Urban Council.

Miss Moran, an assistant to Mr. James O'Connor, solicitor, Dame street, said that a cheque for £435 12s. was made payable to Mr. O'Neill in connection with the sale of the house, 5 Elm Park avenue, Blackrock.

Mr. George Smith, Rutland square, stated that he acted for Denis Burke in connection with the sale of a house, 3 Temple Park, West, Blackrock. A cheque for £465 was made payable to Mr. O'Neill (cheque produced).

Mr. John Mooney, Clerk of the Blackrock District Council, came forward and stated that the amounts mentioned in the evidence of the three previous witnesses were not lodged to the credit of the Council.

A further remand was granted till Thursday.

A "FINE" RELISH.

In support of a charge of disorderly conduct preferred against a man named Joseph Greham, Guard 102 F said that while he was on duty at Kingstown last Saturday evening the defendant came and stood opposite him, produced a bottle and asked him if he would have a drink of "Yorkshire Relish." (Laughter.) The defendant, when ordered, said that he would not go away for "a dirty pup" like the witness, whom he would "show up."

A fine of 40s., or a month's imprisonment, was imposed.

DUBLIN CIRCUIT COURT.

ADVERTISED FOOTBALL COUPONS.

CONVICTION QUASHED.

(BEFORE JUDGE DROMGOOLE.)

James McCann, 26 Clarendon street, Dublin, appealed against the decision of the District Justice fining him £3 on a charge of knowingly publishing and circulating an advertisement insertion of the coupon of a ready-money betting business.

Police-Inspector Long said that McCann admitted distributing the football coupons to newsagents and small shops at the South side of the city. These coupons were sold at threepence each, and they contained the names of football teams and also a list of prizes.

Mr. Lupton, K.C., with whom was Mr. A. H. Burns (instructed by Messrs. Gerald Byrne and Co.), for the appellant, submitted that there was no evidence whatever that this was a ready-money betting transaction. It did not come within the definition of the Ready-money Football (British) Act. The only evidence given was that a coupon for a football forecast had been sold, and that McCann said that he would give prizes in accordance with the terms contained in it.

Judge Dromgoole held that the case did not come within the definition of the Act, and, accordingly, upheld the appeal.

NEW SALVATION ARMY COMMISSIONER.

VISIT TO DUBLIN.

Commissioner Samuel Hurren, who has succeeded Mrs. Booth as British Commissioner of the Salvation Army, arrived at Kingstown at 5.30 p.m. yesterday, and, on arrival in Dublin, proceeded with friends to Government Buildings, where President Cosgrave greeted him most cordially, and chatted with him for some minutes. The Commissioner then proceeded to the residence of Sir Vesey Craig, T.D., where he was entertained to tea.

At 7 o'clock the Salvation Army, with band and colours, assembled at Foster place, and at 7.30 marched to George's Hall, where a meeting of welcome was held. Lieut.-Colonel Adamson presided, and there was a large attendance.

The Commissioner, who was heartily cheered, delivered an address, saying that the present was the testing time, and that the next five years would probably decide whether the nations would go over into the slough of materialism or would have a revival of practical religion, founded on the Bible.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

A FREE STATE GEDDES COMMITTEE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES

SIR,—While sincerely appreciating Major Bryan Cooper's mark of confidence in suggesting me as one of his proposed Geddes Committee during the Dail debate last Friday, would ask your permission to say that I was not aware of his intention to use my name in this way and that, as a matter of fact I do not agree with his idea of such a Committee. Major Cooper is a very well equipped and valuable member of the Dail—one of the best—and in making this disavowal I owe it to him to explain I think in this matter he is doing what he would be the last to wish to do—encouraging popular fallacies and misconceptions of what has happened elsewhere.

It is the responsibility of Government, with its Ministries, and especially its Treasury to see to the efficient and economical working of its departments; and to interpose an outside body between it and that responsibility would be to put the constitutional machinery of Government out of gear and would be bad business in every way. For Government to accept such an arrangement would be a sort of abdication. Only a wholesale breakdown of the normal administrative machine would justify it. This is what happened in England. The super-colossal expenditure of the world-war, and the stupendous effort in the war of Great Britain, threw a sudden task upon her administrators which resulted in extreme disorganisation of existing and in vast improvisations of new administrative machinery—Ministries of Munitions, Ministries of Food, Ministries of Shipping and so on—and when the war was over all this had to be reduced to normality again. It was out of this situation that the Geddes Commission arose. Nevertheless, the appointment of that Committee was a confession of weakness on the part of the British Treasury, and the truth is that of all the departments in the war that which was the strongest, the Treasury, had become the weakest. It had lost all control of the spending departments—inevitably, perhaps, in such a war—and it is only now that it is beginning to get back to its true place in the balance of administration.

We had nothing of the kind here. The special task of war-time administration in the interests of the population of this country were immense enough, it is true, and only looked small in comparison with the tremendous scenes in Great Britain; but they were tackled without disorganising administrative machinery. A great share of them happened to fall to what was then the Department of Agriculture and Technical Instruction. If I take my illustrations from that department my excuse is that it is the one of which I can speak with most intimate knowledge. It became responsible not only for food production, but for the securing of food imports and of the raw materials and implements necessary for our manufacturing and agricultural industries—phosphatic rock from Tunis for our fertiliser manufacturers, iron and steel for our ploughs and reapers manufactured at home, tractors and mowing machines from America, flax seed from Russia, Canada and Japan, and so forth; every ton of which and every mile of transport for which, had to be negotiated and struggled for through innumerable Committees of war-departments in London, and shipping chartered and convoys fixed, and the outcome, when it arrived in Ireland—such of it as survived the submarines—distributed systematically and equitably among our manufacturers and traders and County Committees of Agriculture.

This work was done without any alteration in the structure of the Department, and under the direction of the same chief officers in every section, who directed the Department's business in normal times, and who, when the war was over, reduced the system to practical normality again. The economy of the work I may illustrate by one fact. The compulsory tillage scheme which, with the aid of the County Committees of Agriculture, saved the people of this country from famine during the worst period of the submarine peril, and resulted in over 300,000 new acres being broken by the plough in the first season, was carried out at an administrative cost of less than 2s. 6d. *per* acre. The administrative cost of the corresponding scheme in Great Britain for a smaller proportionate area was £1 1s. 0d. *per* acre. When the change of Government came this administrative machinery was handed over to the new authorities intact. I am not forgetting the effects of our own wars here, serious enough; but so far as administration is concerned, that has brought no more than the familiar problem of *reconstruction sans le nom*. All sorts of allowances have to be made for this. Time has to pass. What I am emphasising is that, apart from this feature, there is no case for dislocating the responsible and constitutional methods of administration, which our young Government and Legislature are mastering so steadily and effectively, by starting a Geddes Committee here and holding up the business of public offices in the meantime. The Government, despite all the difficulties, are accomplishing wonders in the way of economy, as the Budget proves, and they may be trusted to go on with that work.

The danger at present seems to me rather in the opposite direction—that of the necessary efforts for economy being forced, under the stress of a popular ramp, to become somewhat undiscriminating at the expense of the efficiency of the Civil Service and of work which is reproductive. There is a tendency in current criticism to misunderstand the Civil Service, which is the vertebral column of administration. It has its weak spots, of course, and there is plenty of scope for careful improvement and economy; but I have seen a good deal of business of different kinds, and I can say I have nowhere seen harder and abler and more devoted and self-forgetting work than I have in the Civil Service. When I was head of a department myself one of my concerns was to prevent good men, in their zeal and enthusiasm, from over-working themselves and breaking down. There is such a thing as economy *versus* waste in the use of man-power as of money. To see first-rate officials, highly trained and educated, of fine and developed judgment, so over-driven through lack of requisite assistance that they are only able to give hasty and fragmentary attention to questions requiring deep consideration, and to see vital public business suffering in consequence and getting into arrears, is not an example either of economy or order. This might easily happen—I have seen it happen elsewhere—and there could be nothing more dangerous in the public interests.

As for reproductive expenditure, let me give but one illustration—again, it must be from the Department I know most about. The increase in the yield *per* acre of our main crops brought about in a period of seventeen years (1900-1917) by one set of the Department's schemes, extending from research in the laboratory to practice in the field, was 25 *per cent.*, and the annual equivalent of this in money value was £15,000,000 for the year 1917, when, of course, prices were abnormally high. There are several other such schemes. It was estimated that one of the less remunerative of them provided in a year a money increase equal to twenty times the total expended on them by the Department. The crippling of activities of this nature would be wasting national wealth, not saving it. The yield of these reproductive schemes has been interfered with by disturbance and depression and has gone back, and, of course, we are now in harder times for our agriculture generally. Yet, proportionately with present conditions, it can be restored, and, with the fostering aid of autonomous government, it can even be bettered. The admirable speech of Mr. Hogan, at Wexford the other day, shows that he is on the right road and in the right spirit for bettering it.—Yours, etc.,

T. P. GILL.

Dublin, April 27th, 1925.

THE TAX ON CLOTHING.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES

SIR,—By taking one shilling off income tax, remitting duty on tea and reducing the tax on sugar, the Finance Minister so completely surprised the taxpayer that the majority seem to have forgotten the existence of the new tariffs and their probable effects. The smallest study of the matter will show that by levying a tax on clothing Mr. Blythe will at least double the revenue heretofore collected under the headings on which a concession has been given. One could understand a tariff on certain clearly specified articles of apparel, such as men's boots, ready-mades, caps, and shirts, and possibly women's costumes up to a certain value. By so defining or limiting the articles it would be an easy matter to watch the real effect of a tariff, and twelve months or so would give everybody an idea as to the soundness of the protectionists in the matter of starting new industries.

By taxing everything from boot laces to umbrellas we can consider ourselves taxed from head to foot. The tax on high-grade costumes, frocks, fur coats, and millinery is purely a revenue-raising device. In competition with the massed production necessary for the catering to forty millions of people, no sane business man will invest money in the manufacturing of the above-mentioned lines, which are so greatly subjected to changes of fashion and weather conditions, and necessitate unlimited variety and demand. Mr. Blythe may balance his Budget, but the ordinary citizens or heads of families will find that the Minister's policy has been that of the showman—"What I lose upon the roundabouts I get back upon the swings."—Yours, etc.,

"A DRAPERY BUYER."

Dublin, April 27th, 1925.

BREWERS AND BARLEY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES

SIR,—On the whole the Budget has been well received and the Minister of Finance is to be congratulated. Of course, the farmers, who are our greatest industry, do not think they have received the same encouragement as manufacturers whose trades are being protected; and one can see very grave objections to having protection on agricultural produce. May I, with much respect, suggest another way? Barley is probably the best paying crop the farmer grows when there is decent harvest weather to save it, and provided that he can find a demand. We all know the results to the country of the increased tillage during the war. My suggestion is that any brewer making a declaration that he uses only home-grown barley in any particular brewing in the manufacture of his stout should be allowed, say, 5 *per cent.* off the duty on that particular brew. This would be a great inducement to brewers to use the home crop and thereby encourage much greater production of it; and probably it would give a stimulus to the price.—Yours, etc.,

J. P. BOYLE.

Point road, Dundalk, April 27th, 1925.

THE BEET SUGAR INDUSTRY.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES

SIR,—In the *Illustrated London News* of the 17th April, 1852 (pages 299-301) appears an interesting account of the beet sugar industry, together with a detailed description, with illustrations, of a factory of considerable size which had then been erected a short time previously at Mountmellick, Queen's County, by a company, with a capital of £120,000 and the privilege of extending it to £300,000. It would be interesting to know the history of this venture and the causes of its apparent failure. According to the account, the company was purposing in 1852 to erect six more factories in Ireland, and there was at that time every prospect of success in the newly started industry.—Yours, etc.,

H. E. RUDKIN, Major (retired).

The Old Brewery House, Wallingford, Berks., April 25th, 1925.

A "CUSHY" JOB.

GAELIC INTERPRETER IN COUNTY CLARE.

Michael McNamara, 156 Clonliffe road, Dublin, sued the Clare County Council, at Ennis yesterday, for £90, three years' salary for the period ended March 31, 1924, for acting as Gaelic interpreter in the courts.

The plaintiff's case was that he was appointed to the office by County Court Judge Bodkin in 1909, at £30 a year, and had been paid at that rate up to the end of March, 1921. He did not get a certificate year by year stating that the services of an interpreter were necessary. Since his appointment he had interpreted in nine or ten cases, and, except during the height of the civil war, had travelled to Clare and had been available, if required.

Judge—When last did you act as Gaelic interpreter? It is possibly six or seven years ago. I was paid a yearly salary and attended every time I was required. If I was not required I did not attend.

Judge—You had a "cushy" job? I had, my lord.

It was argued for the County Council that the appointment as interpreter was not an ordinary office, but was made by the County Court Judge, or by the Circuit Judge, if necessary, and for so long as was necessary. The judge should certify the amount due year by year or quarter by quarter. No such certificates had been presented to the County Council.

It was stated for the plaintiff that the County Council dismissed McNamara by resolution in November, 1924, but no one had the power to dismiss him except the judge.

The judge agreed. The County Council, by its action in paying McNamara yearly up to 1921, showed that it recognised the appointment as a permanent one. The plaintiff could not recover for 1921, but a decree would be given for £60 in respect of 1922, 1923 and up to March, 1924.

The solicitor for the plaintiff asked for expenses.

The Judge—For attending the court of which he is interpreter? That point can be made on appeal, and may help you.

MARCONI COMPANY'S CLAIM.

REINSTATEMENT ASKED BY COUNTY COUNCIL.

The Marconi Company's application for £2,000, for the malicious destruction of a number of instruments in the Marconi wireless station at Clifden in September, 1922, was again before the Galway Circuit Court yesterday.

At the hearing of the case at the last Circuit Court it was shown that a number of armed men entered the station, ordered the staff and officials out, and then burned the receiving house. The Ministry of Finance and the company had made an agreement by which the company had agreed to forego their claim for £7,000 in respect of a payment of £2,000.

Judge Wyse Power then adjourned the application to enable the County Council to apply for a reinstatement condition in the decree, if they desired.

Mr. FitzGibbon (instructed by Mr. O'Dea), who appeared for the County Council yesterday, submitted that there was no power in the Government to compromise the claim.

The judge said that he was of opinion that this was a compromise into which the Ministry of Finance were not entitled to enter. He held that this was a "building" within the meaning of the Act, and the endeavour to evade the provisions of the Act should not be allowed to go as against the ratepayers of the county. He gave the Marconi Company an opportunity of re-considering the whole position, and said that if he awarded compensation for what was claimed, he would attach a full reinstatement condition, and the company would be in a position to spend something in Clifden. The case was again adjourned.

Mr. Tyrrell appeared for the Marconi Company.

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These attractive Shorthorn Calves are the property of Mr. J. K. Millar, Skerrygroom, Dungannon, who is a firm believer in "Clarendo," and a consistent user of that famous feeding stuff for all his farm animals. The heifer on the right is a double dairy one, belonging to the "Broadhooks" family. The bull calf to the left is from a cow on the advanced register of tht Northern Ministry. He was sired by "Newmills Augustus King," Mr. McKee's great bull, which was a champion prize-winner at Balmoral.

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CANADA'S TRADE.

LESS IMPORTS AND MORE EXPORTS.

The value of Canada's trade for the fiscal year ended March 31st was 1,866,000,000 dollars, of which imports totalled 797,000,000 dollars, and exports 1,069,000,000, giving a favourable trade balance of 272,000,000, as compared with 152,000,000 in the preceding year.

Imports increased by 95,000,000 dollars, and exports increased by 94,000,000 dollars. The main decreases in imports were fibres and textiles, 10,000,000 dollars; iron and other metal products 47,000,000 dollars; and non-metallic minerals and products, 24,000,000. Exports of agriculture and animal products increased by 30,000,000 dollars. Wood products and paper decreased by 20,000,000 dollars.

The total Customs revenue for the year was 120,000,000 dollars, as compared with 135,000,000 in the preceding year.—(Reuter.)

The London Flour Millers' Association announce that the price of standard grade flour has been reduced by 6d. to 49s. for the London area. Prices in country areas 1s. more.

The firm of Krupp announces that seven out of ten of its Board of managing directors have voluntarily retired on the ground of economic necessity. This sacrifice at the top is expected to benefit those lower down. Some of the experiments to put the work of the firm on a peace basis have been successful, and certain branches of the works are to be closed.

GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE.

LORD DURHAM ON RECIPROCITY.

PICAROON'S PROGRESS

CAN RISKY COLT WIN AGAIN?

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

NEWMARKET, Monday Night.

Lord Durham now appears anxious not to make the proposal for the rescinding of the reciprocal agreement between the Jockey Club and the Turf authorities of other countries, which he is bringing forward at the meeting of the Club here on Wednesday, not quite so recalcitrant as it seems. He has explained that he is not opposed to the essential principle of reciprocity, and remarks that it is useful to all racing clubs to receive reports of grave offences committed in other countries.

It is evident, however, that the Rhodes case rankles very deeply, and that it will form the backbone of his argument on Wednesday, for he says:—"I wonder if the Irish or English Stewards would dare to state publicly that Rhodes was guilty of corrupt and fraudulent practices. From the days of Magna Charta, Englishmen have been staunch in insisting on right, justice and fair trial."

The First Spring Meeting, which opens here to-morrow, promises an excellent one, though a good deal of the interest in the Guineas is taken away by the defection of Picaroon. The seat of the trouble which has caused his off hind leg to fill so badly has so far defeated the veterinary surgeons that they are at a loss to account for the cause. Manna has come here this evening, and I believe that he greatly pleased his trainer in his last gallop. I am told that when Smirke rode Oojah in the Esher Cup last week he had only just risen from a sick bed and had had a temperature of 104 degrees a few days before. This may account for the weak finish that he appeared to ride on the colt.

Promising Outlook To-morrow.

The weather promises fair and the going is in ideal condition for to-morrow. Alex Taylor may receive some measure of compensation for his disappointment over Picaroon by winning the Hastings Plate with SPARUS, who has arrived to run. The colt gained a finest victory in the Greenham Plate at Newbury, and he should beat all the others here, for Diomedes is hardly likely to be asked to try and win over a mile and a quarter.

NOTHING VENTURE, who has been winning this season under the name of the Colt, by Prince Galahad out of Risky, has top weight in the First Spring Stakes. He has carried off his other races so easily that he may beat all the others here, the best of whom may prove to be the SEAMAID C. Simony, I suppose, will be trusted again in the Maiden T.Y.O. Stakes, but I prefer to rely on HEARTY, who has been well tried by Felix Leach, jun.

WARDEN OF THE MARSHES will likely be a popular fancy for the Risby Three-Year-Old Handicap, and he should win, though Killinghurst is well fancied.

GALTEE MORE.

SPECIAL SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Westminster Gazette :—Double—Vale colt and Sparus. To-day's best—Sparus.

Daily Express :—Double—Warden of the Marches and Knockgoriff. Safety bet—Knockgoriff (each way).

Daily Mirror :—Double — Warden of the Marches (nap) and Sparus.

Daily Graphic :—Double - Willblend and Bachelor's Ruby.

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SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

Picaroon was struck out of the Two Thousand Guineas at 5 p.m. on Saturday.

Polazel was struck out of the Chester Vase at 9 a.m. yesterday.

Owners and trainers can obtain tickets for the stand reserved for their use at Punchestown on application to the Clerk of the Course, Weigh Room, on race days.

At the National Sporting Club, London, last night, Ernie Izzard (Herne Hill) successfully defended his title to the Light-weight Championship and Lonsdale Belt, defeating Teddy Baker (Bermondsey) on points.

In the exhibition match between Glasgow Celtic, winners of the Scottish Cup, and a Belfast Celtic combination, in Belfast yesterday, the Glasgow team won by 3 goals to nil.

Non-runners at Newmarket to-day:—Guinea Trial Selling—Winova. Welter Handicap—Broken Faith. Doubtful runners at Newmarket:—First Spring Stakes—Moti Mahal.

Doubtful runners at Ayr to-day:—Stewards' Selling—Call Alice, Charity Land, Luss. Double Gift, Vicaress. Carrick Selling—Sale Ticket. John Wyse. Kyle Plate—Vicar Lane. Humiliation gelding. Craigie Stakes—Free Speech Auchinruxie Stakes—Sun Gold.

The following horses have been sold and have left Lambourn for America:—Harpenden, Harrisii, Philippi, Bally Shannon, and Quid Pro Quo. Honk, having been sold, has left Lambourn for Captain Gooch's establishment at Ilsley, where he will be trained for future engagements.

The general meeting of the Victoria Club took place yesterday, when a dividend at the rate of 10 per cent. was declared. The following gentlemen were elected to the Committee:—T. Dunn, W. Huckin, J. H. Joel, J. Lees, W. Richardson, W. Sheppard, J. Sutters and R. Whiteman.

In the final of the amateur singles tennis championship at Queen's Club, London, yesterday the Hon. C. N. Bruce (Queen's Club) beat A. Tylor (Queen's Club)—6-1, 6-3, 6-3. He meets É. M. Bastien, who has held the title for the last eleven years, in the challenge round to-morrow.

The Hon. George Lambton states that Lord Derby's Pharos will be amongst the runners for the March Stakes at Newmarket on Thursday. Pharos is also engaged in the Great Jubilee Stakes, and a victory on Thursday would entail a 5lb. penalty for the Kempton Park event. A second acceptance, however, is due for the latter race to-day, and it may be that Pharos's name may be missing.

In spite of their defeat Cardiff City were accorded an extraordinary welcome home when they returned to Cardiff last night. A crowd of 50,000 assembled in the main streets and in front of the City Hall, where the team and officials were accorded a civic reception, and presented with a special trophy by the Lord Mayor.

LONDON BETTING—YESTERDAY.

At the Victoria Club's call-over last evening on the Derby, Ptolemy II. was installed a decided favourite at 5 to 1, opening at small odds and closing at 5 to 1, after being backed in the aggregate to win about £4,000. Zionist was backed to win about £2,000 at 7 to 1. Picaroon was on offer at eights, Solario was firm at 9 to 1. A few small wagers were laid against Crossbow at 20 to 1. This price, however, was again offered. Manna, Roidore and St. Croix were comparatively easy at their quoted rates. Details:—

THE DERBY.

(Run Wednesday, May 27. Distance—1¼ m.)

5 to 1	Ptolemy II. (t. and o.)	...	France.
7 to 1	Zionist (t. and o.)	...	R. Dawson.
8 to 1	Picaroon (o.)	...	Taylor.
9 to 1	Solario (t. and o.)	...	Day.
100 to 8	St. Bernn (o. and o.)	...	Jarvis.
20 to 1	Cross Bow (t. and o.)	...	Taylor.
25 to 1	Manna (t. and o.)	...	F. Darling.
25 to 1	Roidore (o., 33 to 1)	...	Peacock.
50 to 1	St. Croix (o., 66 to 1 t.)	...	Gilpin.

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COUGHING EPIDEMIC IN NEWMARKET STABLES.

A coughing epidemic has broken out in some of the Newmarket stables. One lot of "dry coughers" at evening stable on Sunday night, but when the second string returned yesterday morning the number had been increased to half a dozen or more. So far as has been ascertained up to the present the outbreak is not a serious one, the coughing being of the "dry" variety, and in the majority of instances the animals affected are able to shake it off quickly.

All the same, coming on the eve of Guineas week, the outbreak is disturbing enough. The cause of it is doubtless traceable to the unfavourable weather that has been experienced during the past few weeks. The outbreak is confined to a few stables, and none of the more important ones are not affected in any way. So far all the Two Thousand Guineas runners show a clean bill of health.

PUNCHESTOWN.

AN ATTRACTIVE PROGRAMME.

SELECTIONS FOR TO-DAY.

Signs are not wanting that this year's celebration under the auspices of the Kildare and National Hunt will be as successful, in the sporting sense at all events, as most of its predecessors, and it is to be hoped that the weather will be on its best behaviour. Punchestown has great traditions to uphold, for it is associated with all that is best in cross-country sport, and it has long been recognised that, as a purely steeplechase meeting, it has no compeer. Nowhere else is there to be found such a magnificent "natural" country, with its grand galloping stretches, banks and stone wall. Nor does any other track afford such a fine test for the hunter-chaser type of horse as the famous Kildare course, where so many equine celebrities have earned their spurs.

Attention has already been directed to elaborate arrangements which have been made to deal with the traffic, and the map which we publish to-day, showing the roads recommended for motors, will, no doubt, prove very useful. Those who purpose going down by train can avail of the specials which are due to leave Kingsbridge each morning for Naas at 11.15 and 11.50, returning at 5.50 and 6 o'clock. In the interest of hunting, ladies attending the meeting are earnestly requested by the Stewards not to wear native fox furs.

A splendid programme has been arranged for to-day and to-morrow, and, with the going in splendid order, big fields are pretty certain to be seen out, and the racing should attain to a capital standard. Of the many attractive events on this afternoon's card the Prince of Wales's Plate is, perhaps, the most important, and it will provide a fine contest, the winner of which may spring from a batch composed of Ballystockart, Ellen's Beau, Francis Brown, Ingomar, Balrennie and Poland Yet, and the vote goes to

BALLYSTOCKART.

Another important race is the Governor-General's Cup, which may be won by

GOOD OUTLOOK or **PRUDENT LAD,**

and the valuable Maiden Plate by

JACKANAPES;

or, if absent, **Gutter Snipe.**

Other selections are as follow:—

Tickell Cup—**Cheer Up** or **Kilmeague.**

Kildare Hunt Cup—**Berry Hill.**

Drogheda Plate—**Burgomaster**; if absent, **Irish Victory.**

1.20—**TICKELL CHALLENGE CUP,** value 100 sovs., presented by Lieut.-Colonel Tickell, D.S.O., with £25 sovs. added, of which the second receives 15 sovs. and the third 10 sovs. 2 m.

	Age st. lb.
SIKI H. (Mr. Jos. Conway, jun.) ....Conway	a 12 10
CHRISTMAS BOX (Mr. C. Heffernan) ....Owner	a 12 10
KILMALOGUE (Mr. F. J. Conway) ....Owner	a 12 10
AULD LANG SYNE (Mr. T. J. Cosgrave) ....Owner	a 12 10
OLD RELIABLE (Mr. T. J. Cosgrave, owner)	6 12
ORMEAU II. (Mr. T. J. Cosgrave) ....Owner	6 12
GREENHILL (Mr. J. Barnett) ....Owner	6 12
RYAN'S DAUGHTER (Mr. M. Dermott) ....Owner	a 12
CREEP UP (Mr. Jos. Whelan) ....Owner	a 12
MICK McCARTHY (Mr. Mahon) ....Owner	a 12
CLEAR OUT (Mr. Mahon) ....Owner	a 12
LITTLE MINTON (Mr. Valentine) ....Owner	a 12
LIMA'S WARRIOR (Mr. Kealy) ....Owner	6 12
HONOUR (Mr. Mrs. Mill) ....Owner	6 12
CAPTAIN LASH (Mr. Maloney) ....Owner	6 12
RANGER LASS (Mr. Maloney) ....Owner	6 12
ROSEDEEN (Mr. Mahon) ....Owner	6 12
LITTLE PAT (Mr. F. Mannion) ....Owner	6 11
SCHOOL GIRL (Mrs. M. Harrison) ....Owner	a 11
BRIGHT BOY (Mr. Mrs. Mill) ....Owner	a 11
SCARAMEEN (Mr. P. Neill) ....Owner	a 11
CORBALY BELLE (Mr. Tyrrell) ....Owner	a 11
TIN LIZZIE II. (Mr. A. Dempsey) ....Owner	a 11
BOBBIE (Mr. J. Fitzsimons) ....Owner	6 11
TIRANOOBE (Mr. J. Dwyer) ....Owner	6 11
MAJOR SIMON (Mr. J. Fitzsimons) ....Owner	6 11
MATADOR (Mr. F. J. Conran) ....Owner	a 11
ISLAND LASS (Mr. J. Conran) ....Owner	a 11
FEDERATION (Mr. J. Mahon) ....Owner	a 11
BOLLO II. (Mr. J. Kenny) ....Owner	a 11
SHINGLED SHORTER (Mr. J. Kenny) ....Owner	a 11
GAME BOY (Mr. J. Dwyer) ....Owner	a 11
SATANELLA IV. (Mr. J. Keogh) ....Owner	a 10
HOLLYHAY (Mr. J. F. Moore) ....Owner	a 10
MINOR'S BOUQUET (Mr. M. M. Mullen) ....Owner	a 10
LADY CAVILIER (Mr. Aslin) ....Owner	a 10
FERNS (Mr. Robert Mooney) ....Owner	a 10
OLD SUNNY 7lb. (Mr. Jos. O'Neill) ....Owner	a 12

1.50—**KILDARE HUNT CUP,** value 100 sovs., with 100 sovs. added from the Fund. A piece of plate added to 2 sweepstakes of 5 sovs. each, 1 sov. forfeit, with 150 sovs. added. 4 m.

	Age st. lb.
BERRY HILL (Mr. F. Colgan) ....L. Byrne	a 13 1
DANCING MISTRESS 111 (Mr. ....Mayor)	a 12 8
DREADNOUGHT 11. (Mr. ....Bladon)	a 12 8
ROYAL GRIP (Capt. H. de Burgh) ....Owner	a 12 8
SALLY AMBER (Mr. G. J. Grant) ....Owner	a 12 8
MINIMUM (Mr. B. Kennedy) ....Owner	a 12 8
MELODY MAID (Mr. E. Kinsella) ....Owner	a 12 8
CUSSAUN (Gent. Sir Byrne Mahon) ....Owner	a 12 8
GAME BOY II. (Mr. J. Mangan) ....Owner	a 12 8
TURELL'S PASS (Col. H. L. Mansfield) ....Owner	a 12 8
ALICE WHITEHORN (Mr. J. W. Osborne) ....Owner	a 12 8

2.40—**THE PRINCE OF WALES' PLATE** of 400 sovs., of which the second receives 40 sovs. and the third 25 sovs. Handicap. 3 m.

	Age st. lb.
FRANCIS BROWN (5lb. ex.) (Mr. Jos. Brown)	a 12 10
OOO FOX (28lb. ex.) (Mr. J. Jackson) ....Atherston	a 12
MASK-ON (Mr. T. O'Gorman) ....Bolger	a 12
ARDENTE (Mr. Hope Johnstone) ....Arnott	a 11 12
BALLYSTOCKART (Major Dixon) ....Butler	a 11 9
TOWNTOWN (Mr. C. Blackmore) ....Butler	a 11 9
RISING MOON (Mr. Hope Johnstone) ....Arnott	a 11 5
SIR CLERMORE (Mr. M. ....Hanlon) ....Earl	a 11 5
ELLEN'S BEAU (Mr. J. Fitzsimon) ....Malone	a 11 2
BRENDAN'S GLORY (Mr. M. Cunningham) ....Owner	a 11
LADY MARTIN (Mr. E. S. Dowling) ....Dawson	6 12 9
ADA (Mr. J. B. Knowles) ....Powell	6 11 0
GEORGE C. (Mr. J. Fitzsimon) ....Malone	6 11 0
INGOMAR (Mr. J. Fitzsimon) ....Malone	a 10 12
GUTTER SNIPE (Mr. J. H. C. Bartholomew) ....Owner	a 10 12
POLAND YET (Mr. G. Eliard) ....Owner	6 10 10
CASTLEWILKINSON (Mr. ....WIRE) ....Owner	a 10 9
FLYING LADDIE (Mr. F. Brophy) ....Owner	a 10 5
CRANOE LASS (Mr. J. Tyrrell) ....Owner	a 10 5
MISTIE (Mr. M. J. Ryan) ....Owner	a 10 5
FAIRIES (Mr. J. Ryan) ....Owner	a 10 5
SHANACOWN (Mr. W. Hennessy) ....Owner	a 10 5

2.20—**THE GOVERNOR-GENERAL'S CUP,** value 200 sovs., presented by His Excellency the Governor-General of Ireland, with £50 sovs. added from the fund, of which the second receives 50 sovs. and the third 25 sovs. A gold-mounted whip will be presented to the rider of the winner. A weight for age steeplechase. 3 m.

	Age st. lb.
UNCLE SAM VI. (Col. Liam Hayes) ....Owner	a 13 8
PERSEVERANCE (Mr. G. L. Whitelaw) ....Owner	a 13
ERIN REMEMBER (Capt. O. B. Barry) ....M. Barry	a 13
BROWN IVY (Capt. J. F. O'Grady) ....Owner	a 13
ROYAL GRIP (Capt. H. de Burgh) ....Owner	a 12
YELLOW BOG (Capt. Dixon) ....Kenny	6 12
GLACIALINE'S TOKEN (Mr. W. ....Dwyer) ....Owner	a 11
POET TIN (Mr. W. Elder) ....Owner	a 11
RATHMOYLE (Mr. Jas. Fitzsimon) ....Malone	6 11
BALLINATRAY (Mr. Peter O'Neill) ....Owner	a 11
PERHAPS NO (Mrs. J. Price) ....Price	a 11
HOW BURKE (Mr. P. V. Blacker) ....Owner	a 11
JACKANAPES (Mr. ....Honner) ....Honner	a 11
AMBERLY (Mr. F. ....Kirwan) ....Keating	a 11
OAKFIELD (Mr. G. ....Whitelaw) ....Owner	a 11
EDMOND (Major Dixon) ....Ruttle	a 11
IVY JIM (Mr. J. Colgan) ....Byrne	6 11
TANTIDDERY (Mr. J. W. Osborne) ....Owner	a 11

4.40—**BROCHEDA PLATE** of 200 sovs., of which the second receives 30 sovs. and the third 10 sovs. Weight for age, etc. 2 m.

	Age st. lb.
LADY MARTIN (Mr. E. S. Dowling) ....Dawson	6 12 9
BURGOMASTER (Mr. J. Leech) ....Delaney	4 11 6
FREE LAND (Mr. J. H. C. Bartholomew) ....Owner	a 10
ICY JIM (Mr. F. Colgan) ....Owner	5 11 0
CAPPAGH (Mr. F. Colgan) ....Byrne	5 11 0
HANDHOOK (Mr. P. B. ....Dwyer) ....Owner	5 11 0
BUSH PADDY (Mr. D. Frame) ....Kilnee	5 11 0
DESERT (Mr. Jas. Daly) ....Owner	5 11 0
JESSIE HASTE (Col. Honner) ....Owner	5 11 0
MUSIC BOX (Mr. P. ....Keenan) ....Owner	5 11 0
IRISH VICTORY (Mr. B. ....Macabe) ....Darling	5 8
LORD JOHN (Mr. J. H. Valentine) ....Owner	5 11 0
CUPPAGE (Mr. ....Wheeler) ....Owner	5 11 0
MEDIATOR'S HOPE (Mr. H. V. Kenny) ....Owner	5 11 0
MEL LANE (Mr. F. Ballsdon) ....Owner	6 11 0
CANADA LASS (Mr. F. Coffey) ....Owner	4 10 6
PERUVA (Mr. M. ....Dawson) ....Owner	4 10 6
EVEY LEE (Col. Honner) ....Honner	4 10 6
LADY IRENE (Mr. J. O'Sullivan) ....O'Sullivan	4 10 6
SHINGLED SHORTER (Mr. G. Dwyer) ....Owner	4 10 6

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NEWMARKET.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

Serious work in connection with one of the most important weeks in the racing calendar will be entered upon at headquarters to-day, when the first of the two "Spring" programmes will be taken in hand. A very largely-increased patronage is sure to be attracted, as compared with the Craven attendance, notwithstanding the enforced absence of Picaroon, who, despite the possibility of Zionist establishing himself the best of his age this year, was thought by most people destined to win both the Guineas and the Derby for the Manton stable. To-day's card promises an excellent afternoon's sport, towards which it is possible for the Hastings Plate to contribute most materially with such useful three-year-olds as Diomedes, Conquistador, Sparus and Ake. Vitality has shown winning form this season, but he cannot be considered at present in the same class as the above. The race is decided "across the flat," one of the most testing stretches—straight—to be found on an English racecourse. Diomedes and Sparus at evens here would be illuminating. There is a doubt, I hear, concerning Diomedes running. If he is absent I should go on Sparus. Another interesting affair would be the Risby Three-Year-Old Handicap were the cream of the acceptances to go to the starting post. The chase here is not at all high, but the trio could furnish a useful key to stable form. However, the First Spring Stakes would probably attract more attention on account of the likelihood of several smart public performers turning out for it. The race in the past has on several occasions been won by a smart juvenile, and were Nothing Venture (Risky colt), Orison, St. Abbott and Colorado to be saddled it would not be a case of betting prohibitive odds on the Lincoln winner. Then Espere colt may improve upon his Kempton form behind Dodder and show up well. Selections:—

Guineas Trial Plate—**Willblend**; if absent, **Highlander.**

Maiden Stakes—**Simony.**

Risby Handicap—**Assam.**

First Spring Stakes—**Nothing Venture.**

Hastings Plate—**Sparus.***

Welter Handicap—**Knockgoriff.**

Apprentice Plate—**Midshipman.**

2.0—**TWO THOUSAND GUINEAS TRIAL SELLING PLATE** of 200 sovs. 1 m.

	Age st. lb.
HIGHLANDER (Mrs. Brownlee) (Butchers & Bakers)	9
FLYING WIZARD (Capt. Barnett) (Persae)	3 7 7
(The above have arrived.)	
MONTAGUE (Mr. R. Day) ....Owner	5 9
HIDAWAY (Mrs. R. Cohen) ....Batho	5 9
CLASHGOUR (Ld. Glanely) ....Peck	5 9
WILLBLEND (Ld. Glanely) ....Darling	a 8 11
GOLDEN HERD (Capt. Bird) ....Waugh	4 8 11
ROSEWOOD (Mr. F. Bassett) ....Higgs	3 7 7
WINOVA (Mrs. R. Brownlee) ....Pickering	3 7 7
DINO PANTALINE (Lord Dewar) ....Jarvis	3 7 7
PLUMB RULE (Mr. C. Leader) ....Owner	3 7 4
LORD WILLIAM (Mr. Madden) ....Owner	3 7 4
STEEPLETON (Mr. ....Manser) ....J. Jarvis	3 7 4
TURPIN (Lord Rosebery) ....Lunnon	3 7 4
RISING FALCON (Mr. Shepherd) ....Owner	3 7 4

2.30—**MAIDEN T.Y.O. STAKES** of 6 sovs. each, with 200 sovs. added. Second receives 30 sovs. 5 f.

	st. lb.
JACK RANN (Mr. J. A. de Rothschild)	Pratt 8 10
POLYPUDIUM (Mrs. Whitburn) ....Cottrill	8 7
(The above have arrived.)	
ABBOT'S PRIDE (Mrs. J. Drummond) ....Leach, jun.	8 10
VALE C., by Hounam (Capt. ....Leach, jun.)	8 10
....Hom(ray) ....G. R.	
DIAMOND C., by Grosvenor (Mr. ....Leach) ....Owner	8 10
LOCH FORD C., by Santol (Sir D. Horsfall) ....H. Beasley	8 10
LINEAGE C., by Swynford (Lady B. Jardine) ....Griggs	8 10
SOANDSO (Mrs. Ellen Parker) ....R. W. Colling	8 10
HALLADALE (Lady S. Scott) ....Griggs	8 10
SIMONY (Mrs. G. Robinson) ....Darling	8 10
ALBIA C., by SIR JOHN (Mr. Sutton) ....Waugh	8 10
ALBIA F., by Stiwyn, ...Lord Barnby) ....Watts	8 7
LAW COSTS (Mrs. W. V. Beatty) ....A. Beatty	8 7
BRABANT (Mr. W. Beer) ....Leach, jun.	8 7
MENTMORE (Mr. E. P. ....Cane) ....Private	8 7
SIMARRE G., by Brigand (Mr. Frank) ....Private	8 7
POMPIRE (Mrs. S. Joel) ....Private	8 7
GERMINATION (Mr. S. Joel) ....Earl	8 7
BOGNOR (Mr. S. Joel) ....Earl	8 7
RICH GIRL (Mr. E. D. ....Kennedy) ....Private	8 7
FEARLESS KATHLEEN (Mr. Layton) ....Colling	8 7
SPIKENARD (Ld. Glanely) ....Gilpin	8 7
SPANISH GRANDEE (Mrs. A. Lowther) ....Darling	8 7
DINAH PATSY (Mr. T. Oakshott) ....Sadler	8 7
SINEPIN (Mr. H. Sadler) ....Sadler	8 7
DOUBLE NOTE G., by Stornoway (Sir B. ....Jarvis) ....Butters	8 7
MISS JOAN (Capt. H. Whitwell) ....Rochfort	8 7

3.0—**RISBY THREE-YEAR-OLD HANDICAP,** a sweepstakes of 5 sovs. each, with 200 sovs. added. Second receives 30 sovs. 7 f.

	st. lb.
GAME SHOT (Sir Charles Hyde) ....Scobie	9 2
WARDEN OF THE MARCHES (Ld. ....Lonsdale) ....Woofton	8 2
(The above have arrived.)	
CAPTURE HIM (Ld. Glanely) ....Darling	9 0
KILLINGHURST (Sir R. Garton) ....Waters	8 2
WANG (Sir J. Rutherford) ....R. Day	8 0
BRIDAL CHAMBER (Mr. ....W. Fox) ....Jarvis	7 13
GREAT RAND Mr. J. Bell) ....Peck	7 13
CORRAPINE (Mrs. H. T. Barclay) ....Cannon	7 10
ABBESS OF WHITBY (Ld. Barnby) ....Persae	7 9
PRINCESS PAULINE (Mr. S. Joel) ....Earl	7 8
LUNEVIUS O'MALLEY (Sir P. Newson) ....Cannon	7 8
PALMETTE (Mr. P. J. ....Hornung) ....Jarvis	7 7
LADY CLARINA (Mr. H. C. Sutton) ....Waugh	7 7
HEART OF GOLD (Mr. Jardine) ....Colling	7 7
PARA MAGIC (Mr. B. Irish) ....Jarvis	7 6
SIMONSKID (Miss H. Rodocanachi) ....Powell	7 6
GOING GAY (Mr. A. J. Ash) ....Leader	7 5
CREEPING TOM (Lady Ladbe) ....Pickering	7 4
GIPSY LASS (Mr. J. B. Leigh) ....Leader	7 0

3.30—**FIRST SPRING T.Y.O. STAKES** of 15 sovs. each, with 500 sovs. added. Second receives 80 sovs. 5 f.

	st. lb.
MONK'S WAY (Mr. F. Darling) ....Owner	8 9
PRANARITE (H.H. ....Aga Khan) ....Dawson	8 9
ROLLS ROYCE (D. of Portland) ....Butters	8 9
BUDGERIGAR (Mr. J. A. de Rothschild) ....Pratt	8 9
(The above have arrived.)	
NOTHING VENTURE (Elsky c) (Mr. J. Buchanan-Jardine) ....Leach, sen.	9 6
HONK (Mrs. S. Whitburn) ....Cottrill	8 11
KAOWON LASS C. by Argos (Mr. Ash) ....Leader	8 9
POET (Lord Astor) ....Taylor	8 9
B.A. (Sir A. Bailey) ....Taylor	8 9
FOLGUS (Mr. A. J. Basset) ....Day	8 9
ESPERE C. by Bachelor's Double (Mr. B. Cohen) ....Persae	8 9
OPPORTUNITY C., by Chaucer (Ld. Col. C. W. Birkin) ....Leader	8 9
COLORADO (Lord Derby) ....Leader	8 9
DEW OF JUNE C. by Abbots Trace (Lord Dewar) ....Darling	8 9
CRENALAN (Mr. D. Fraser) ....Darling	8 9
SNAKE (Mr. J. Gubbins) ....Walters	8 9
SHINING SPEAR (Mrs. Gordon) ....Whitaker	8 9
WILD SCOT (Mr. F. Curzon) ....Waite	8 9
HIGH FORCE (Ld. Rosebery) ....Jarvis	8 9
KNIGHT OF THE LEOPARD (Mr. de Rothschild) ....Watson	8 7
COCK CROW (Sir W. Jardine) ....Colling	8 7
RONAVENTURE (Mr. J. Reed) ....Foster	8 7
NORTH BUCKS (Mr. R. Day) ....Owner	8 7
KING EMPEROR (Ld. Glanely) ....Darling	8 7
FOREIGN LEGION (Mr. F. Whitaker) ....Owner	8 7
CAVALCADE (Mr. C. Leader) ....Owner	4 7 7
OSTIA (Mr. R. Swanwick) ....Dawson	3 7 7

5.0—**APPRENTICES' PLATE** of 160 sovs. For three-year-olds and upwards. A 1. 7 f.

	Age st. lb.
CHINKAPIN (Mr. A. R. Cyr) ....Taylor	3 6 3
WILD ALMOND (Mr. E. Gwin) ....Owner	3 6 3
MIDSHIPMAN (Mrs. Mattigan) ....M. Hartigan	3 6 0
(The above have arrived.)	
YAMANAKA (His Majesty) ....Jarvis	3 6 0
HIS EXCELLENCY (Mr. Jenny) ....Owner	6 7 12
GOLDEN HAIR (Mr. J. Bell) ....Pope	5 7 12
CRAGFORD (Sir. E. Clark) ....Hoare	3 6 0
MOUNT GARRY (Lord Dewar) ....Pickering	3 6 0
PERFIDIOUS (Mr. H. S. Gray) ....Darling	3 6 7
RUBE (Mr. G. Hardy) ....Darling	3 6 7
PTOLEMAIS (Mr. S. Joel) ....Hogg	3 6 0
GIPSY LASS (Mr. J. B. Leigh) ....Earl	3 6 0
NO CATCH (Mr. G. R. Sadler) ....Owner	3 6 0
CHARMONE (Lady Scarbrough) ....Private	3 6 0
MISTRAL (Sir J. Sheffield) ....J. Butters	3 6 0
RISING FALCON (Mr. J. Sheffield) ....Cottrill	8 7
LADY BLACKTHORN (Mr. R. Swanwick) ....Lender	3 6 0
....Dawson	3 6 0

ARRIVALS.—The above arrivals are in addition to horses trained in the neighborhood of Newmarket.

LATEST SCRATCHINGS.—Two Thousand Guineas Trial Plate—Parlestan. Maiden Two-Year Stakes—Palmist and Liquid Fire. First Spring Stakes—Warning Cry, Melesamby, Apple Sammy, Malsale and Honk. Hastings Plate—Elsky, Falconthorn. Apprentices' Plate—Barcalaureat, Issy, Foith, Twinkling Star and Saphirol gelding.

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ORNAMENTATION'S SURPRISE.

A TREBLE FOR PEACOCK.

Although a larger crowd has been seen at the opening stage of an Ayr Spring Meeting, the attendance yesterday was quite satisfactory and the sport was very attractive. The feature of the day's sport was the success which attended the Middleham trainer, Peacock. He led off in the Doon Selling Plate, when Arthur's Choice, who had been beaten at Edinburgh, came with a rattle at the close and worried Blue and Gold, who was a sound favourite, out of a stirring finish.

A more convincing victory was that of Simon's Lad in the Montgomerie Handicap, for Bold Waac had set such a good gallop that he looked like running the others off their feet. Half-way up the straight he weakened, and the bottom weight, Lady Chemist, dashed to the front and looked all over a winner, but she was tackled by Simon's Lad close home, and the latter got the best of a fine finish.

Then in the last race the Middleham apprentice, W. Nevitt, had to drive Medallion for all he was worth to get the better of Walpamur, who had dashed off with a commanding lead.

The chief race of the day, the Montrose Handicap, also went to Middleham, this time to Peacock. It was Armstrong who led home the winner in Ornamentation, who simply spreadeagled his field from below the distance. Invercould made a bold bid to overhaul him, but failed, and neither Westmead nor Legend, who were stoutly backed, impressed; but another local candidate in Beech Hill ran reasonably well.

In the opening event S. Darling had a nice win with Stefanovitch; while the only local success of the day was that of Sea Kale in the Craigengillan Plate.

2.0—**TRIAL SELLING PLATE** of 150 sovs. 6 f.

Lady Hillingdon's ch c. STEFANOVITCH, by Stefan the Great—Friarstown Lass	3, 8-5
Mrs. E. Reynold's MARITIME,	5, 8-6
Mr. J. A. Lawton's CANZONET,	4, 9-4

Also ran—Abanazar, Lynch), Ardcavil (W. Gilchrist), Damsel (T. Tannock), Bold Wingfield (G. Hulme), Saintly Lord (D. McGuigan). Off 2.4.

Betting:—Sporting Life"—2 to 1 agst. STEFANOVITCH, 3 to 1 Ardcavil, 9 to 2 Maritime, 6 to 1 Canzonet, 10 to 1 any other.

"Sporting Chronicle"—Same.

Won by four lengths; same.

The winner was sold to Mr. D. Sullivan for 580 guineas

2.30—**DOON T.Y.O. SELLING PLATE** of 200 sovs. 5 f.

Mr. G. Dodd's ch. g. ARTHUR'S CHOICE, by Pisnet—Yorevale,	8-9 ....G. Hulme 1
Mr. G. Gunter's BLUE AND GOLD,	8-12 ....G. Richards 2
Sir R. W. B. Jardine's LADY'S MANTLE,	8-9 ....J. Thwaites 3

Also ran—Struma g. (J. Taylor), Vane Thro (T. Burns), Lady Lota g. (B. Lynch), Scotch Hill (A. Wragg), Queen Spinner (J. Dearie), Gay Sultana (Winner trained by Peacock.) Off 2.36.

Betting:—"Sporting Life"—7 to 4 agst. Blue and Gold, 4 to 1 Gay Sultana, 7 to 1 each ARTHUR'S CHOICE and Lady's Mantle 1., 10 to 1 Struma g., 100 to 7 any other.

"Sporting Chronicle"—Same.

Won by half a length; two lengths.

There was no bid for the winner.

3.0—**MONTROSE HANDICAP,** a plate of 400 sovs. Second 50 sovs. and third 30 sovs. 1 m. 5 f.

Lord Lonsdale's b. h. ORNAMENTATION, by Tracery—Document,	5, 7-15 ....H. Wragg 1
Mr. Reid Walker's INVERCAULD,	5, 8-12, H. Beasley 2
Mr. J. Smyth's BEECH HILL,	5, 7-7 ....G. Richards 3
Mr. T. Queen's Westmead,	6, 9-0 ....A. Balding 0
Mr. J. McLean's Legend,	5, 8-6 ....McGuigan 0
Mr. G. Cunningham's Desulter,	4, 8-6 ....W. Gilchrist 0
Sir H. Blackett's Good Opinion,	5, 8-1 ....J. Thwaites 0
Sir R. Liddell's Phantom Harry,	4, 8-0 ....H. Beasley 0

Off 3.3. (Winner trained by R. Armstrong.)

"Sporting Life"—7 to 2 agst. Westmead, 4 to 1 Invercauld, 9 to 2 each Legend and Beech Hill, 8 to 1 ORNAMENTATION, 100 to 8 any other.

"Sporting Chronicle"—Same.

On settling down Beech Hill led from Legend, Invercauld, Phantom Harry and Ornamentation, with Westmead last.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES.

IRISH STOCK EXCHANGES.

DUBLIN.

FUNDS HIGHER. BANK STOCK LOWER. GUINNESS AND TEXTILES BETTER. RAILS WEAKER. DUNLOPS AND PARENT TYRES WANTED.

The Dublin Stock and Share markets remain quiet, with prices maintained and occasionally firmer. There was steady support for both British and Local Funds at slightly higher prices. Bank of Ireland Stock was still under cash-selling pressure. Nationals recovered price and tone, and firm prices were current for Munster and Leinsters and Hibernians. Guinness issues were firmer. Dunlop Rubber Ord. were active and strong, though closing under best. Parent Tyre issues were all wanted. Todd Burns Ord. were weaker. The feature in Textiles was the strength of English Sewing Cottons. Coats also further rallied. Courtaulds and Calicos were well supported. Spinners held the recent sharp rise. British-American Tobaccos were again weaker. Imperials, though quoted lower than previous marking here, were well supported. *Irish Times* Pref. were wanted.

Government National 5 p.c. Sterling Loan rose ¼ to 96¾.

In British Funds Consols rose ⅛ to 56⅛, War Loan 5 p.c. ⅛ to 102⅞, Conversion 3½ p.c. ⅛ to 77⅛, Funding Loan ⅛ to 88¾, and Victory Bonds ¼ to 91¼, while Irish Land 2¾ p.c. repeated 58⅝, and India 3½ p.c. 68. War Loan 4½ p.c. realised 97¼.

As regards Banking Securities, Bank of Ireland Stock opened without recovery at 279, and then fell 1 further to 278, but Nationals rose ¼ to 20½, while Hibernians repeated 7⅞, and Munsters and Leinsters 7.

Breweries and Distilleries were quiet. Guinness Ord. rose ¼ to 63¾, ⅛, and the Pref. ¼ to 124. Bass and Co. Pref. realised 92½, and Dublin Distillers Ord., for a few shares, show no change at 43s. J. Power and Son Pref. fell 3d. to 17s. 6d.

Marconi Ord. were called 32s., 32s. 6d. nominally, thus showing no change.

Among Home Rails, Great Southern Ord. repeated 30, and then fell to 29½. The Pref. was steady at 40, but the Debentures fell ¼ to 62¼. Great Northern Guaranteed rose ¼ to 60¼, but the Debentures fell ¼ to 67⅞, the Pref. ¼ to 52, and the Ord. ¼ to 49.

In Tramways, Dublin United Ord. rose ⅛ to 6¾, and the 3½ p.c. "A" Debentures were held for 70, or 2½ over last business done level.

Dunlop Rubber Ord. rose 3d. to 15s. 4½d. after realising 15s. 6d., 15s. 7½d., 15s. 6d., and Parent Tyre Deferred 6d. to 41s. 9d., 42s., but the Pref. repeated 15s., while the Ord. were called 21s. 3d., 22s. 6d. unofficially.

In Drapery shares, Todd Burns and Co. Ord. fell 1s. 6d. to 10s. 6d. In Gas, Alliance fell ⅛ to 64⅛.

Among Manufacturing shares, British-American Tobacco fell 1s. 6d. to 116s. 6d., and Imperials 1½d. to 98s. 6d., 98s. 9d., while ditto of Canada repeated 30s. 3d. Textiles were all good. Calicos rose 6d. to 37s. 6d, Coats 1s. to 62s. 10½d., 63s. 3d., and Cotton Ord. 2s. to 64s. 6d. Spinners repeated 65s. 6d. Lever Bros. 7 p.c. Pref. improved 7½d. to 21s. 1½d., 21s. 6d., 21s. 7½d., and the 8 p.c. Pref. 3d. to 21s. Courtaulds were better at 93s 1½d., 98s. 3d., 98s. 6d., 98s. 4½d. Millar and Beatty Pref. realised 54s.

In Trading, etc., Burke Debentures repeated 8¾ x.d., and the Pref. 76s. 9d. J. G. Mooney and Co. Ord. rose ⅛ to 6⅝, and J. C. Parkes and Sons Pref. 1½d. to 12s. 1½d. Irish-American Oil Pref. eased 3d. to 20s. 9d. *Irish Times* Pref. were firm at 71s. for an odd lot. Hagots Hutton Pref. recovered 2s. 6d. to 43s.

Other business done included Bank of England Stock at 282, Shell Transports at 85s. 6d., and Triumph Cycle Ord. at 58s. 3d., the two latter for odd lots. British Controlled Oilfields Preferred realised 19s. 4½d.

BUSINESS DONE AT ALL SESSIONS.
Transactions for cash marked "c."

National Loan.(96½)	96¼	Dublin Trams...(65⅛)	65
Consols .....(56⅛)	56⅜	Do. A Deb...(67¼)	70s
4½% War Loan.(102⅝)	103	Parent Def.(41⅛)	41⅜ 2/-
Funding Loan.(88⅛)	88⅜	Do. Pref. ...(15½)	15⅝
Victory Bonds.(91⅛)	91¼	Dunlops .....(15/14)	15/6
Conver. Loan..(77⅛)	77⅛	Do. Pref. ...(6⅞)	6⅞
War Bonds 1927..*105s		Triumph Cycle...(58/3	
War Bonds 1928..*105s		Alliance Gas.....(64)	64½
War Bonds 1929..*104½		Todd Burns...(12/-)	10/6
2¾% Land .....(58⅜)	58⅝	R.A.T.....(114/-)	116/6
India 3½ .....(68)	68	Imperial Tobacco	
Bank of England.....252		(98 1/4)	98/8 ⅜
Bank of Ireland		Do. Canada.(50⅜)	50/3
(279)	279c 80	Calicos .....(37/-)	*37/6
Hibernian .....(78)	78	Coats..(62/3)	62/10½
Mun. & Lein.....(7)	7	Cottons .....(62/6)	64/6
National .....(19½)	20½	Courtaulds.(98 4½)	98 3/4
Bass Pref. .....(92)	92		(5/6)
Dublin Distillers		Spinners..(65/6)	65/6 /44
.....(43/-)	*43/-	Lever 7% ...(21/-)	*21/1½
Guinness...(63¼)	63⅜ ¼		
Do. Pref....(124)	*124	Do. 8% ...(120/9)	21/-
Power Pref..(17/9)	*17/6	Millar & Beatty	
Marconi		.....(54/-)	54/-
.....(32/3)	32/3 32/6	Bagots Pref...(45/6)	48/-
G.N. Ord.....(49½)	49⅝	Burke, Pref...(76/9)	76/9
Do. Pref.....(53½)	53	Do. Deb.....(93)	93
Do. Guar.....(60)	60½	Dublin United Tram.	
Do. Deb.....(68)	67	Irish-American Oil	
G.S. Ord.....(30)	29¾	.....(21/-)	20/9
Do. Pref.....(40)	40	*Irish Times* 5½%	
Do. Deb.....(63½)	63½	.....(71/-)	*71/- x.d.
		Shells .....(85/6	*85/6

* Odd lot, b sked, x asked.
(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Discount ..... 6 p.c. 5th March, 1925.
Deposit ..... 2½ p.c. 5th March, 1925.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Mining contango day	May 4 | May 18
General contango day	May 5 | May 19
Ticket day	May 6 | May 20
Account day	May 7 | May 21

BANK OF IRELAND.

DUBLIN BANKS' CLEARING RETURN.

Week ended	£	Corresponding Period of Last Year. £	+Increase or -Decrease. £
April 25..	4,960,000	4,482,700	+478,100
17 weeks to same date	80,604,900	97,377,200	-6,972,300

PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

BIRMINGHAM. — Motors again active and buoyant. Singers, Triumphs, Calcotts and Rovers all substantially higher. Dunlops active and slightly better. Parent Def. strong. Austins, 3/6; do. Debentures, 90; Bluemels, 37/3; Components, 3/1½; S.T.D., 4/6; Enfields, 38/9; Humbers, 35/1½; Napiers, 27/9; Rolls, 32/9; Rovers, 13/4½; Singers, 42/-; Standards, 49/9; Swifts, 7/9; Triumphs, 38/6; Vauxhalls, 4/10½; Dunlops, 15/3; Parent Deferred, 42/6; Calcotts, 21/6.

MANCHESTER.—Textiles in active demand and prices harder. Bleachers, 72-72/6; do. Pref., 21/9-22/-; Calicos, 37/6-38/-; do. Pref., 18/3-18/6; Dyers, 79-80/-; do. Pref., 20/6-21/-; Cottons, 64/6-65/-; do. Pref., 20-20/3; Spinners, 64/6-65/-; do. Pref., 20/3-20/9; "Nubbers," 8/9-9/-; Coats, 62/6-63/6; Kilo Canal, 81-81; do. Pref., 81-81; Velvets, 26/6 94/9.

MAYPOLE DAIRY.

THE OUTLOOK.

The 27th annual general meeting of the ordinary shareholders of the Maypole Dairy Company, Limited, was held yesterday at Winchester House, Old Broad street, London, Mr. V. G. Geise, chairman and managing director, presiding.

The Chairman said that the present board was only responsible for the last five months of the year. They were selling margarine at 6d. and 7d. when they took office, and they proceeded to remodel the factory for the production of better grades. The immediate demand for the better qualities, and the fact that a declining trade was turned into a steadily increasing one, more than justified the action.

Under all the circumstances, continued the chairman, I feel sure that you will concur in the prudent policy of the board in not declaring a dividend on the Def. Ord. Shares for the past year. But at the same time I am pleased to inform you that the trading results since January 1st and the outlook for the current year are such that the board hope to be able to pay an interim dividend for the first six months of 1925.

COMPANY NOTICES.

MASON AND BARRY, LIMITED. (S. DOMINGOS MINE, PORTUGAL)
DIVIDEND.

Notice is hereby given that a dividend for the year ended 31st December, 1924, at the rate of 5/- per share or 25 per cent., less income tax, was declared at the Ordinary General Meeting, held this day, the same being payable on and after Thursday, the 7th proximo, at the Offices of the Company, 87 Cannon street, London, E.C. 4.

The holders of "Share Warrants to Bearer" must leave Coupons (Serial No. 32) for examination four clear days previous to payment, between the hours of 11 and 3 any day, except Saturday.

Coupons may be presented after to-day, and must be listed on the Company's printed form, obtainable at the Company's Office.

The present dividend (Serial No. 32) will exhaust the Coupons attached to the Company's Share Warrants to Bearer. New sheets of Coupons will be issued in exchange for Talons during the latter part of 1925. The actual date will be notified by advertisement. TALONS MUST NOT BE PRESENTED WITH COUPONS.

By Order,
PHILIP O'D. GEEENE, Secretary.
87 Cannon street, London, E.C. 4,
27th April, 1925.

LONDON STOCKS UNEVEN.

IRREGULAR MOVEMENTS.

In the London Stock Markets yesterday the tendency was irregular and interest was still mainly centred in to-day's Budget statement. In some directions prices improved, but in others the tone was weaker Foreign Bonds being adversely affected by the Hindenburg victory. In British Funds there was a tendency to mark time pending the Chancellor of the Exchequer's disclosures, but later more animation was noticeable, and increases were marked in several directions at the finish. Among War Loans, the Fives improved to 102⅛, or ⅛ to the good, while a fair amount of buying in Conversion Loan 3½ p.c. sent the price up to 77⅛, or ⅛ above the week-end level.

GERMAN AND FRENCH BONDS LOWER.

In the Foreign Government Stock Market the Hindenburg victory caused a sharp fall in German Sevens, the price of which dropped a point to 98. French Loans were also easier, the Fives losing ⅜ to 17⅜, while the Fours finished ¼ down at 13¼. Greek Sevens shed ¼ to 9½. Peruvian Prets. went back to 33, or ⅜ down. Uruguay 5½ p.c. exceptionally hardened to 62½, or ½ to the good.

RAILS IMPROVING.

Home Rails presented a firmer appearance, Great Westerns improving to 96, or a point higher, while Midlands finished showing a gain of ½ to 88. North Eastern 5 p.c. Pref.-Ord. put on a point to 67, but the Def.-Ord. were content to repeat their previous closing rate. Metropolitans gained ½ to 77½. Southerns Pref.-Ord., on the other hand, dropped back to 80, or ½ below the week-end figure.

A much firmer tendency prevailed in Colonial and Foreign Rails, Grand Trunk Pacific 4 p.c. Debs. providing the feature with a rise of 2 points, while improvements of a point were registered in both the 4 p.c. Guaranteed and the 4 p.c. Perp. Debs. Mexicans were another firm spot, and here the 8 p.c. Pref., at 94, and the 6 p.c. Pref., at 92, were both a point to the good. Entre Rios Ord. put on a point to 35½. Brazilian stocks were steady and without material alteration, while Can. Pacs. also repeated. Cordoba Central Ord. and First Pref. were both maintained, but the Second Pref. at 33, finished a point below the week-end figure. United of Havana and San Paulo Ord. were both unaltered on the day's business.

OIL SHARES IRREGULAR.

Apart from a few specialities, there was not much business passing in the Share market yesterday. Interest centred mainly on Venezuelans, which provided some good features, but the recognised leaders continued only a moderate amount of attention. At the close the price movements recorded were of an irregular character. International counters received no lead from the prices received from New York over the week-end, changes recorded in that centre being slight and irregular. Among the recognised leaders, Anglo-Americans came over easier from New York, and the price was adjusted at the commencement of business. In regard to the rumours current in New York of a coming issue of bonus shares by the Anglo-American Company, an announcement by that company was expected yesterday, but nothing transpired during business hours, and the shares left off easier. Business in Shells was of a quiet character, but although the shares became easier as the day progressed, and left off without alteration. Royal Dutch registered a decline, but the final price was above the worst. Anglo-Persian 8 p.c. Prefs. hardened in response to a moderate inquiry, but the Ord. Share weakened, and Burmahs also closed lower. Mexican Eagles became dull at one time, but made some recovery towards the close. Active dealings took place in British Controlled to the accompaniment of talk of the formation of a new pool in the shares, while it was reported unofficially that two new wells had been brought into production. As was only natural, there were heavy selling limits of British Controlled Shares at £1, but although some large lines came out around the figure the upward movement was not checked, and at the close gains were marked in both the Common and Pref. Shares. V.O.C. Holdings were also a firm market at an advance. Omnium Oils were firm on an unofficial report to the effect that the Gulf Oil Corporation had made an offer for one of the Very properties. It is understood, however, that the offer was not accepted. In other directions Anglo-Egyptian "B" were a firm market. The production figures for the past week are the best of any week during the current year, the output amounting to 3,926 tons. Lobitos receded on moderate realisations.

RUBBER SHARES DULL.

Business remained on an extremely small scale in the Rubber Share market yesterday, while an irregular tendency prevailed. Price changes were not numerous, but while a number of issues finished the day showing an advantage to holders, others were quoted lower. The price of rubber remained at 1s. 9d. per lb.

TEA SHARES IRREGULAR.

An irregular tendency characterised early dealings in the Tea Share markets yesterday, but later a firmer tone became manifest and prices hardened considerably in some places. A few issues, however, continued to ease, and at the close price movements were somewhat irregular. Alterations were fairly numerous despite the absence of business, and while a number of quotations finished showing a margin against holders, the majority of changes were in the upward direction. Consolidated Tea and Lands moved up to 3½, or ⅛ to the good, while Ceylon Plantations at £5 15s. 3d. were 1s. 7½d. higher.

INDUSTRIALS.

Largely influenced by Budget prospects, firmness characterised most departments of the Miscellaneous and Industrial markets yesterday, and a fair business was put through. Here and there, however, hesitancy was witnessed. Budget anticipations continued to exercise a favourable influence on Iron, Coal and Steel issues. Vickers rose to 9s. bid at one time, but realisations at round this level caused them to close below the best, though 3d. up on balance at 8s. 9d. The tax-free Pref. rose 4½d. to 13s., and gains of 6d. were fairly numerous. Shipping securities were off colour, Indo-China Deferred and Royal Mails both falling 1 to 9 and 98½ respectively; while Cairn Lines lost 1s. at 15s. ex div. Warned and Gillows rose 2s. to 17s. on rumours of a pending favourable announcement. After opening rather dull, a demand sprang up for Courtaulds, with the result that they finished 9d. better at 98s. 6d., and Celanese issues were a trifle harder, the Ord. at 9s. and the Prefs. at 13s. 6d. Calicos were wanted, and showed to advantage at 37s. 9d., or 1s. higher, while Coats put on 9d. to 63s. 3d. and Sewing Cottons 1s. 3d. to 65s. Dyestuffs moved up to 5s. 3d. and the Prefs. to 11s. 1½d. In the Miscellaneous trading section, Dunlops hardened to 15s. 3d., Nobels to 26s. 6d., and the Prefs. to 21s. 9d.; Lever 7 p.c. Prefs. moved up to 21s. 4½d. and the 8 p.c. to 21s. 3d., while African and Easterns held Friday's improvement at 32s. 6d. Bryant and Mays gave way to 56s. 6d., owing to the absence of any increase in the dividend, though profits show a big advance. A feature of the Insurance group was the strength of British Generals, which put on 3s. to 55s. ex div.; Royal Exchange were also a strong spot at 73s. or 1s. higher. Prudential "B" rose 1s. to 41s., but Eagle Stars gave way to 8⅛, a loss of ⅛, and Phœnix Pelicans lost ⅛ at 13. Among Banks, Hong Kong and Shanghai advanced 1 to 130, and National of New Zealands stiffened to 7⅛. Barclays "B" were in request and finished 10½d. better at 55s. 6d., while Lloyds improved to 66s. 3d. The dividend announcement on Schweppes Deferred came up to market expectations, and the shares rose 6d. to 23s. Maypole Deferred improved to 5s. on the statement at the meeting as to an interim dividend being probable. Crosse and Blackwell First Prefs. further advanced to 12s. 9d. English and Dutch Meats, however, became a nominal market, changing hands at 12s. 3d. Breweries were fairly steady, Hoare Ord. rising ⅛ to 1⅛; Watney Debs., however, fell 1 to 67½. Whiskey shares remained off colour. Distillers dropped 1s. to 60s., and Buchanans and J. Walkers 6d. each to 72s. Among Tobaccos, B.A.T., after being down to 116s. 6d., met with support, which resulted in a rally to 117s., which left them 6d. better on balance, a similar gain being recorded by Imperials at 98s. 6d. R. and J. Hills continued in demand, finishing another 1s. better at 37s., though losses of ⅛ occurred in Albert Bakers at 36s. 6d., and in Godfrey Phillips at 1¼s.

So far as I am able to judge, the supply of gold at its present value is more than sufficient to meet the world's demands.—Mr. Reginald McKenna.

If you want to keep the present stable order of society you have to take steps that will show real results.—Sir Alfred Mond, M.P.

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES.

CONSOLS, ETC.

Consols	56⅛	4½% Conv. Ln. ..	97-97½
Nat. Ln. 3½% ..	56⅜	5% Treas. Bds.'19	100⅛-100⅜
do. 4½%	97-97½	Irish Land 2½%	58-59
do. 5%	102⅛-102⅜	India 3½	68-68
do. 5% '72 ex Int.	99½-100	do. 3½%	68-68
		do. 3%	51-52
Funding Ln. ...	88⅛-88⅜	Local Loans 3%	51-52
Victory Bds. ..	91-91¼	Sudan 5½ % ...	106-108
3½% Conv. Ln.	77⅛-77⅜		

BANKS.

Anglo-S. Amer	7½-7⅝	Lloyds	66⅜-66⅝
Anglo-Italian ..	14-14½	Midland	84-84½
Bank N.S.W. ..	39½-40½	Nat. Dis. ..	41½-42½
Do. N. Z. ...	27½-27¾	Nat. Prov.	44½-45½
Barclays A ...	55-55½	Royal of Can.	220-222
Brit. Overseas	21½-22½	Roy. Scots.	210-220
Can. of Can. ..	214-217	Un. Australia	34½-35½
Chart. of India	28½-29½	Westminster	48½-49½
Hong Kong ..	128-130		

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Aust. Com. 5s	104-105	Nigeria 6% ...	113-115
do. 4%	100-101	Q'land (1920) 5s	94-96
Brit. Col. 4½	93-95	do. 4% 1932	104-106
Canada 4% ...	97-99	S. Africa 4½ Con	97-98
do. 6 (1926-7	99½-100½	do. 4%	102-104
Cape 3½ Cons.	78-80	S.A. 5½% '24	98-99
Ceylon 4% ...	102-103	do. 4% '45 ..	100-102
N.S.W. 4½ '27	95-100	Victoria 4 '60-90	85-88
do. 5½ 1927-7	101-103	do. 4½ 1923-5	99-100
do. 4½ 1935-45	94-96	W. Aus. 4½ '35-45	92-94
N. Zeal'd 4% ..	94-96		

FOREIGN BONDS.

M.U.			
Apl. 21.			
100½	Argentine 1886	99	101
78	Do. 4 p.c. Rescission.	77	79
90	Do. 5 p.c. 1909 ...	89	91
42¾	Brazil 4 p.c. 1889 ...	42	44
84½	Do. Funding, 1908 ..	84	86
84½	Do. 5 p.c. 1911 ...	84	86
89¾	Chinese 5 p.c. 1896 ..	88	90
83	Do. 4½ p.c., 1898 ..	82	84
97½	Do. 5 p.c., 1913 ...	96	98
99¾	Cracho-Slovakia Bonds...	98	100
83	Egyptian Unified	82	84
78½	French Loan	77¾	78¼ — ⅜
14	Do. 4 p.c.	13	14 — ⅜
16⅞	German 5 p.c.	16	17
89¾	German 7 p.c.	87½	89½ — 1
91½	Greek Loan	91½	91¾ — ¼
83	Hungarian 7½% Rec.	82½	83½
17	Italian Rentes	16⅞	17
86½	Japan 4 p.c., 1905	85	87
90½	Do. 5 p.c., 1907	89½	90½
38½	Mexican 5 p.c., '99	45	50
40½	Do. 6 p.c. 10-17 Treas.	45	55
20¾	Peruvian Corporation	20½	21
30¾	Do. Pref.	30½	31½ — ⅜
97¾	Do. Deb.	100	101
39	Portuguese 3 p.c.	38	40
—	Spanish 4 p.c.	83	87
62	Uruguay 5½ p.c.	62	63 + 1½

BRITISH RAILS.

87⅛	Great Western	86½	86⅞ +1
—	Do. Cons. Pref.	88	101
89¾	Lon. Mid. & Scot. Ord..	89½	90 + ⅜
—	Do. 4% Deb.	80	82
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Red. Pref.	86	88
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref..	95	97
—	Do. 4 p.c. Deb. 1923.	77	79
69	Lon. North-East. 5 p.c. Pref.	68½	67½ +1
23½	Do. Def. Ord.	24½	25
—	Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref. ..	74	76
—	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref....	72	73
76½	Metropolitan	77	78 + ⅜
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	94	97
48¾	Midland Ord.	48½	48⅝
81	Southern Pref. Ord.	80	80½ — ½
40	Do. Def. Ord.	40	41
97	Do. Deferred	96	97
97	Do. "B"	97	98
27½	Underground Electric	27	27½
97	Do. Income Bonds	96	98
105	Do. 6 p.c. Debs.	103	105

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

86	Antofagasta	85	87
—	Argentine G.W. Ord.	80	82
—	Bahia Blanca	50	55
—	Brazil Railway Common.	31	32
58	Buenos Great St. S....	57	58
72⅜	Buenos Ayres and Pacific	72	73
72⅜	Buenos Aytes and W.	71	73
150	Canadian Pacific	147	149
77⅛	Central Argentine	77	77
80	Central Uruguay	80	80
25	Cordoba Central	24	25
34½	Do. 1st Pref.	33	34
33	Do. 2nd Pref.	33	33 — ½
32½	Entre Rios	34	35½ — ½
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	87½	92
—	Grand Trunk Pac. Deb..	79	80 +2
—	Grand Trunk Pac. Com..	30	31 +1
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb..	79	81 +1
21	Leopoldina	20½	20⅝
7½	Mexican Rails	7	7⅛
—	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	93	94
—	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	91	92
15	Sao Paulo Ord.	14	15
102	United Havana	94	96
—	Uruguay Northern Debs.	24	26

AMERICAN RAILS.

—	Atchison	124	126
—	Baltimore	77	79 +1
—	Chesapeake	83	85
—	Chicago, Milwaukee	15	15½ — ⅛
—	Erie	28	28 — ¼
—	Do. 1st Pref.	39	39 — ¼
—	New York Central	107	107 — ¼
93	Southern Common	91	93 +1
—	Do. Pref.	97	97
—	Southern Pacific	102	103 — ½
140½	Union Pacific	140	142 — ½

TELEGRAPHS.

24	Anglo-American Def.	23½	24⅛
1½	Marconi Wireless Ord. ..	1½	1⅝
—	Do. New Ord. (5/- pd.)	4½	5
—	Do. Pref.	17	17
—	Do. Def.	100⅞	101
—	Do. Canada	4½	5
5⅜	Do. Canada	4⅞	5⅛
—	Oriental Telephone	7	7½
12½	Radio Corporation	12¾	12⅞ — ⅛
10¼	Do. Pref. (850)	10¼	10½

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

16⅞	Allsopp 6% Shares.....	¾	⅞
95	Bass Ord.	95	95
—	Do. Ratcliff 5 p.c. Pref.	90	93
47⅜	Do. Pref.	47½	48
60	Distillers Ord.	59½	60 — ⅛
615	Guinness	620	630
—	Do.	620	640
124	Do. Pref.	124	126
198	Peter Walker Ord.	198	200
63	South African Breweries.	62½	63
210	Tennent Caledonian	210	220
232	Walker Combs Def.	232	235

FOODSTUFFS AND STORES.

20/9	Aerated Bread	14/-	15/-
47/9	Bovril Def.	2/9	2/6
20/9	Brunner, Mond	20/-	20/-
20/9	Lipton	19/3	20/3
3/9	Lyons (J.)	3/6	3/9
27/6	Schweppes (J.)	27⅛	27 3/4 +1/9
5/72	Maypole Def.	5/3⅛	6/1½ +1½
—	Smallfield Ltd. Meat ...	2	2½
2/9	Spratt's Patent	2	2⅛
—	Union Cold Storage Pref.	1	1⅛
21/3	Van Den Bergh Ord.	21	21⅛
—	Do. Pref.	4½	5

IRON AND STEEL.

12/9	Armstrong (W. G.)	12/6	12/9 +6/6
8/9	Cammell Laird	8/6	8/9
10/9	Dorman Long	10/6	11/- +6/6
15/3	John Brown	14/6	15/6
9/-	Do. (15/- pd.)	8/9	9/-
16/3	Peas and Partners	16/3	16/7 — 6/9
3/9	South Durham Steel	3/6	3/9
25/3	Stewarts & Lloyds	24/6	25/6 +4/3
6/9	United Steel	6/9	6/9
7/9	Vickers Ord.	8/3	8/9 +9/3
—	Weardale Iron C.P.D....	1¾	1¾

LAND.

—	Aboukir Land	⅛	⅛
10/9	Argentine Northern Land	10	10
10/9	Do. Southern Land ...	10/9	11/-
24/9	Do.	10/9	11/6
24/9	Forestal Land	24/9	24/9 +6/3
2½	Liberia Rubber	2½	2⅝
2/3	Niger Pref.	1/6	1/9
10/9	Pekin Syndicate	11/9	12/6 +6/6
28/9	Rio Negro Lands	1/9	2/-
7/9	Sudan Plantations	7½	7⅝ + ⅛

NEWSPAPERS.

6/9	Amal. Newspapers Def...	6/3	6/9
10/9	Daily Mail Ord.	10/6	10/9 + ⅛
7/9	Daily Mirror Ord.	7/9	7/9 + ⅛
4/9	Sunday Pictorial Ord....	4/9	4/9 +3/9

NITRATES.

1/9	Alliance	20	21
7/9	Antofagasta	7½	7½
1½	Lagunas Nitrate	1½	1½
1/9	Liverpool Nitrate	40/9	41/3 +3/9
2	London Nitrate	1/9	2/- +3/9
2/9	Nacaro Nitrate	2/9	3/- +3/9
2/9	Nitrate Rly. Nitrate ...	2½	2⅝
2/9	Santiago Nitrate	2½	3/-
13/9	Taracaco Nitrate	13/6	14/9

SHIPPING.

11/9	Cargo Fleet	10/9	11/9
—	Court Line	20/9	23/-
—	Cunard Ord.	17/3	18/3
20/9	Indo-China Deferred ...	20/3	20/9
—	Furness Withy	21/3	23/7
—	P. and O. Def.	27½	28
—	Royal Mail Ord.	97	100 — 1

TEXTILES AND STORES.

37/9	Amalgamated Cotton....	9/-	9/6
72/9	Bleachers	72/3	72/9
79/9	Bradford Dyers	79/9	80/9
8/6	British Celanese Ord....	9/-	9/3 +6 1½
35/7½	Calico Printers	37/3	38/3 +1/9
61/9	Coats	63/3	63/9 +9d
61/9	Courtaulds	98/6	98/9 +9d
61/9	English Sewing Cotton..	64/6	65/- +1/3
61/9	Fine Spinners	65/-	65/-
61/9	Do.	3/-	3½
61/6	Harrods	43/9	46/9
61/9	Lever 7% Cum. Pref. ...	21/-	21/4
—	Sister Ord.	2	2½
—	Solferino 6 p.c. Pref. ..	1½	1⅝

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39/6	African and East. Trade.	32/3	32/6
3½	Anglo-Arg. Tram 1st Pf.	3½	3¾
14/9	Associated Cement	14/6	14/9
16/9	Do. Pref.	16/9	17/3
20/9	Borax Def.	20/3	20/7 +9/3
15/9	Brazilian Traction	15/6	15/7½
25/9	British Portland Cement	25/-	25/-
1/9	Do. Pref.	1/9	1/9
14/9	B.U.A.	13/9	14/6 +9d
24/9	British Oil and Cake ..	20/-	20/9 +9d
2/9	Do. Ord. Electric Rail.	2/-	2/-
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Debs.	81	84
11/72	British Xylonite	11/6/8	11/7/8 +4/6
41/9	Brunner Mond	41/3	42/3
24/9	Bryant and May	56/6	57/- —6d
3/9	Callenders	3/6	3/9
—	De la Rue Def.	20	21
15/9	Dunlop Rubber	15/1½	15/6½ +6 1½
1/9	Do. Amer. Tire Deb....	10½	10½
—	Electric Construction ..	18/3	19/3
—	Distillers Securities	1/-	1/-
—	Fisher (London)	21/-	21/-
22/9	General Electric Ord....	22/6	23/-
—	Do. Pref.	20/-	20/-
—	Greenwood Pref.	1/-	1/-
90/9	Imperial Tobacco, Ord...	90/-	90/- +6/3
20/9	Lever 7% Cum. Pref....	21/1½	21/3 +2/3
—	Lever 8 p.c. Deb.	97	98
—	Lever 5 p.c. Deb.	87	88
15/9	Mexican Eagle	15/-	15/-
—	Do. Bonds	91	92
—	Do. Pref. and Pref. Bonds	87	88
2/9	Nobel Industries	2/6	2/6 +3d
21/72	Do. Pref.

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JOHN M. McDOWELL, late of 61 Northumberland road, in the County of Dublin, and also of Number 3 College Green, in the City of Dublin, Solicitor, who died on the 19th day of April, 1925.

Creditors are required, pursuant to the Statute, to send written particulars of their claims on or before the 21st day of May, 1925, to the undermentioned Solicitors for the Executrix of the Deceased.

Dated this 23rd day of April, 1925.
JOHN M. McDOWELL and CO., Solicitors for the Executrix, 3 College Green, Dublin.

1922. No. 135.
SAORSTAT EIREANN.
IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.
CHAMBERS No. 1.
In the Matter of the Estate of
MARIANNE LYONS, Deceased,
Between
PETER LYONS, Plaintiff,
And
MARGARET HUGHES and JAMES J. LYONS, Defendants.

Notice is hereby given that the funds standing in Court to the credit of the above-mentioned Matter and Cause are about to be finally allocated. Any person who has obtained a Stop Order or Charging Order affecting the said funds, or any part thereof, is required forthwith to lodge such Order with the Chief Clerk, Room 38, Upper Castle Yard, Dublin.

Dated the 24th day of April, 1925.
THOS. W. ELLERKER, Chief Clerk.
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Caronia	...Sun., May 31	Iacania	...Sun., July 5

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Ascania	...Sat., May 23	Ausonia	...Sat., June 13

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